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CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN

THREE GONE,
AND ONE TO
GO! YOU'LL
NEVER STOP
ME IN TIME,
ACE!

*"LAST DAYS
OF THE
CHALLENGERS!"*



The GOLDEN RULE



CHRISTIANITY:
ALL THINGS WHATSOEVER YE WOULD THAT MEN SHOULD DO TO YOU, DO YE EVEN SO TO THEM.

BUDDHISM:
HURT NOT OTHERS IN WAYS THAT YOU YOURSELF WOULD FIND HURTFUL.

JUDAISM:
WHAT IS HATEFUL TO YOU, DO NOT TO YOUR FELLOW MEN.

ISLAM:
NO ONE OF YOU IS A BELIEVER UNTIL HE DESIRES FOR HIS BROTHER THAT WHICH HE DESIRES FOR HIMSELF.

SO YOU SEE, IT *IS* A LAW, IN A WAY-- THE **UNIVERSAL** LAW OF HUMANITY. GET WISE, SON, AND JOIN THE HUMAN RACE!



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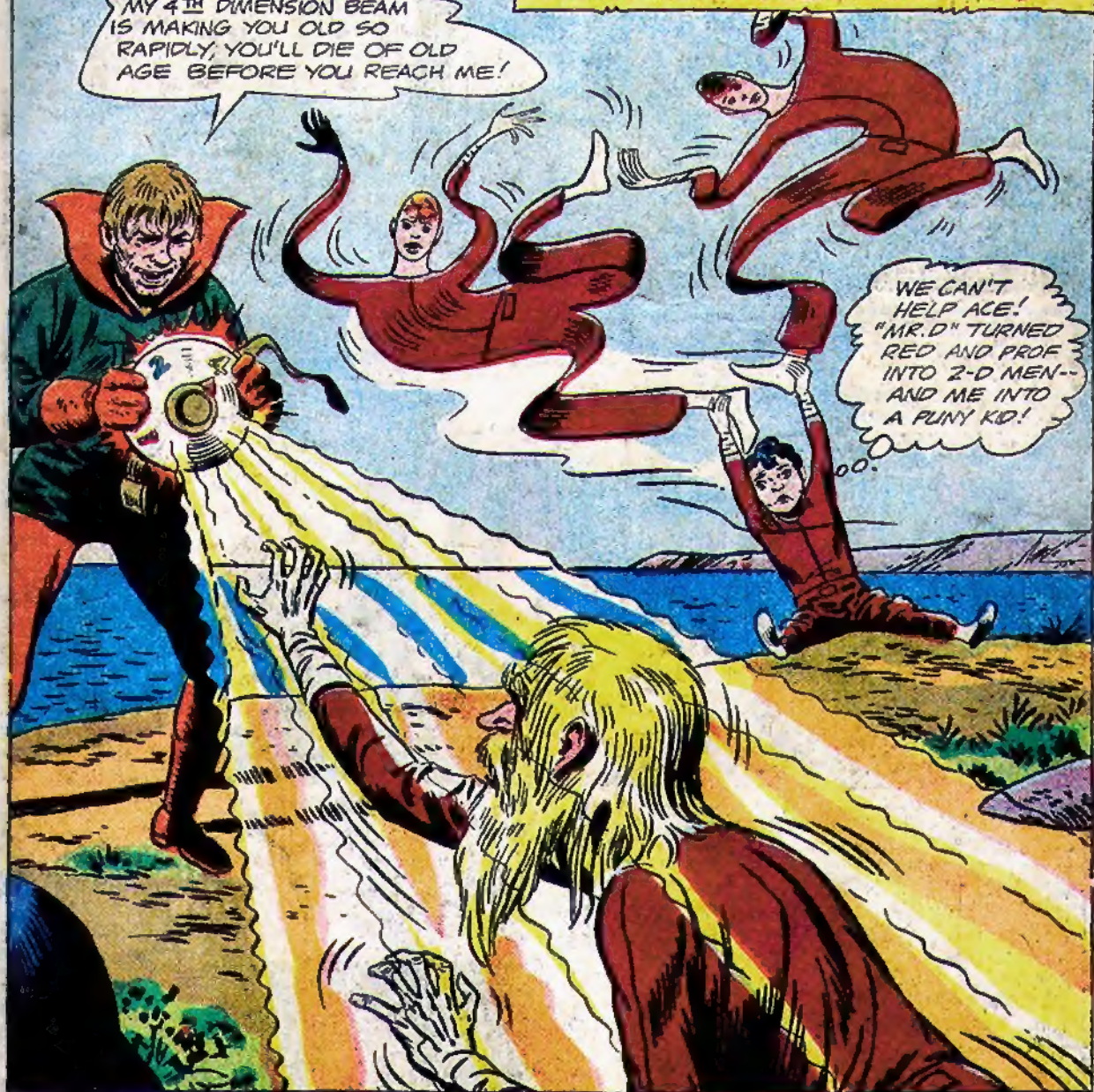
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AS SHAKESPEARE SAID, "SOME MEN ARE BORN TO GREATNESS; SOME ACHIEVE IT. OTHERS HAVE GREATNESS THRUST UPON THEM." THIS SMALL-TIME HOODLUM WASN'T BORN TO OR DESERVING OF CRIMINAL FAME--BUT FATE SUDDENLY WILLED IT TO HIM, BRINGING TROUBLE APLENTY TO THE CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN! FOR THEY HAD TO COMBAT...

the TRIPLE TERROR of MR. DIMENSION

MY 4TH DIMENSION BEAM IS MAKING YOU OLD SO RAPIDLY, YOU'LL DIE OF OLD AGE BEFORE YOU REACH ME!

WE CAN'T HELP ACE! "MR. D" TURNED RED AND PROF INTO 2-D MEN--AND ME INTO A FUNNY KD!



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CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN



GREAT EVENTS IN HISTORY OFTEN HAVE SMALL BEGINNINGS! TAKE THE CASE OF AN UNLUCKY VAGRANT...

...AND STAY OUT OF HERE, YOU PUNK, TILL YOU PAY YOUR BACK RENT!

OWW! Y-Y-YOU'LL BE SORRY ABOUT THIS! SOME DAY I'LL PAY YOU BACK BUT GOOD-- YOU AND THE WHOLE WORLD!

WHAM

WHAT A FUTURE! NO TALENT, NO MUSCLE POWER, NO-- HEY! WHAT'S THAT? SOME KIND OF CARNIVAL RIDE?

AS HE STEPPED INSIDE, HE WAS UNAWARE THAT HIS BLEAK WORLD WOULD UNDERGO AN AMAZING CHANGE...

WOW! SOMEONE SPENT A LOT OF MOOLAH TO MAKE THIS THING LOOK GOOD! WONDER IF THERE'S ANYTHING WORTH TAKING?

NOT FAR AWAY, AN EQUALLY STRANGE SCENE UNFOLDS...

PROFESSOR KURTZ! COME BACK! LEAVING THE TIME MACHINE WAS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN... AND NOW--

I KNOW, CAPTAIN! IT'S ILLEGAL TO DISTURB ANYTHING HERE IN THE PAST! BUT THAT MAGNIFICENT GREEN-SPECKLED LEPIDOPTER IS EXTINCT IN OUR TIME!

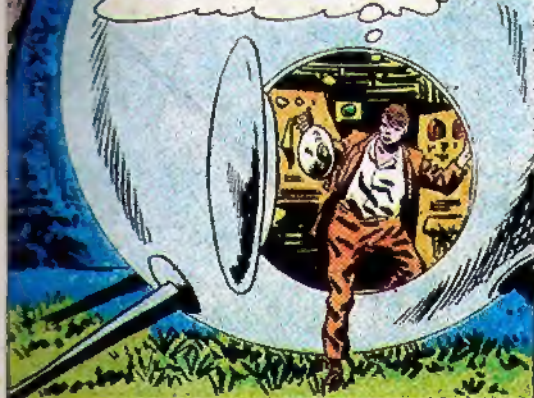
GOOD THING WE'RE ALONE ON THIS OBSERVATION TRIP, OR I'D HAVE TO TURN YOU IN! NOW LET'S GET BACK TO THE SHIP AND HOPE NO ONE HERE FOUND IT!

WHAT A SHAME! SUCH A MAGNIFICENT SPECIMEN! SIGH!



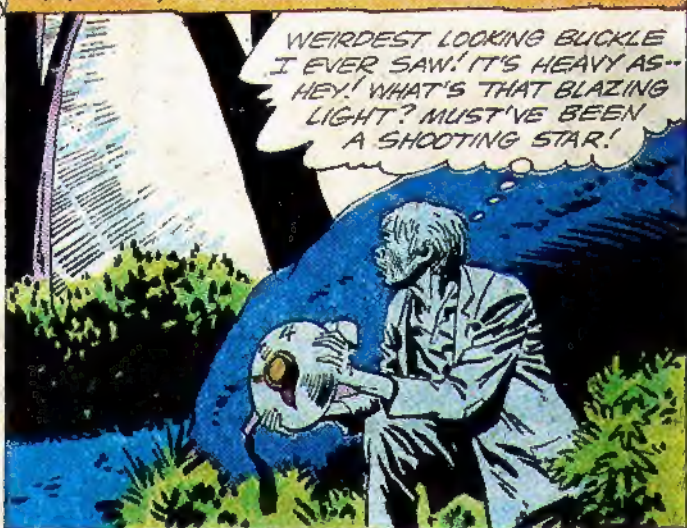
SHORTLY...

THE BUCKLE OF THIS FUNNY-LOOKING BELT MIGHT HAVE SOME VALUE, SO I'LL JUST-- OH-OH! HEAR SOMEONE COMING! BETTER LAM OUT OF HERE!



ESCAPING, HE DASHES TO A SECLUDED SPOT...

WEIRDEST LOOKING BUCKLE I EVER SAW! IT'S HEAVY AS-- HEY! WHAT'S THAT BLAZING LIGHT? MUST'VE BEEN A SHOOTING STAR!



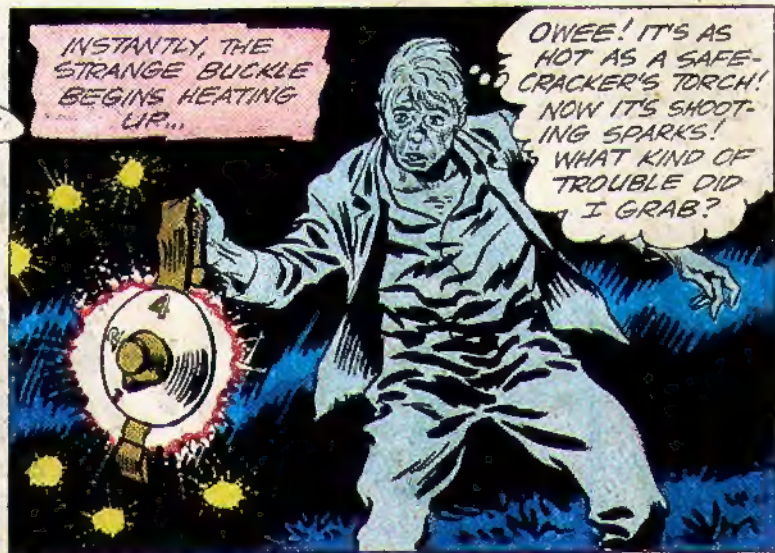
UNAWARE THAT THE CRAFT DEPARTED FOR THE FUTURE, HE STUDIES HIS LOOT...

LET'S SEE! THREE NUMBERS-- ONE, TWO AND FOUR! HOW COME NO NUMBER THREE? WELL, ANYWAY, LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS IF I TURN THIS POINTER TO ONE!



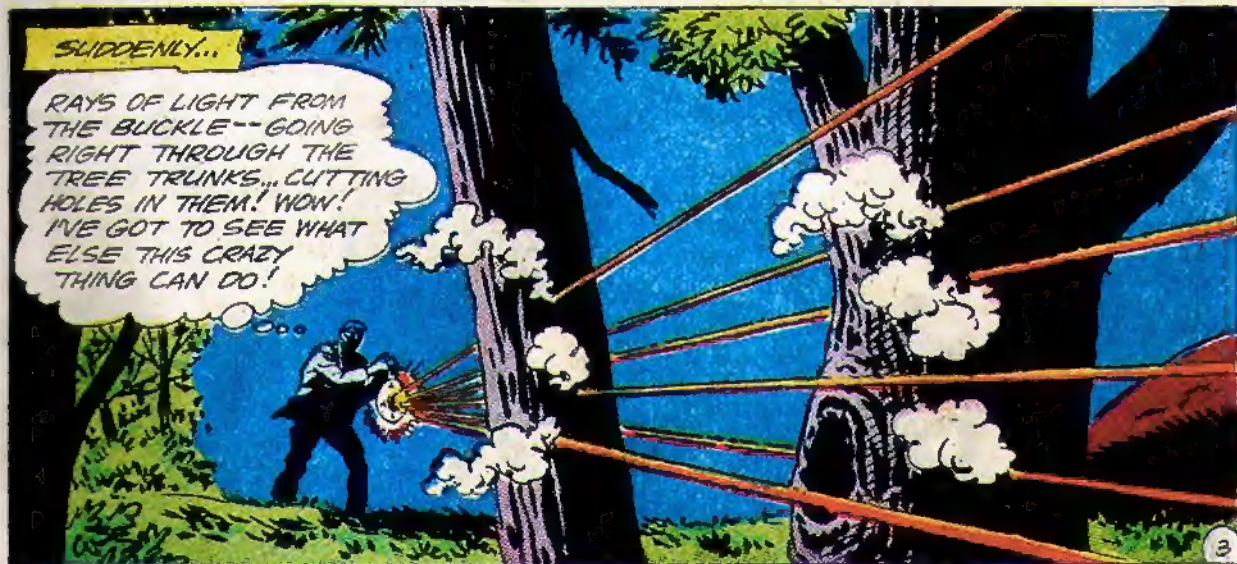
INSTANTLY, THE STRANGE BUCKLE BEGINS HEATING UP...

OWEE! IT'S AS HOT AS A SAFE-CRACKER'S TORCH! NOW IT'S SHOOTING SPARKS! WHAT KIND OF TROUBLE DID I GRAB?



SUDDENLY...

RAYS OF LIGHT FROM THE BUCKLE-- GOING RIGHT THROUGH THE TREE TRUNKS! CUTTING HOLES IN THEM! WOW! I'VE GOT TO SEE WHAT ELSE THIS CRAZY THING CAN DO!

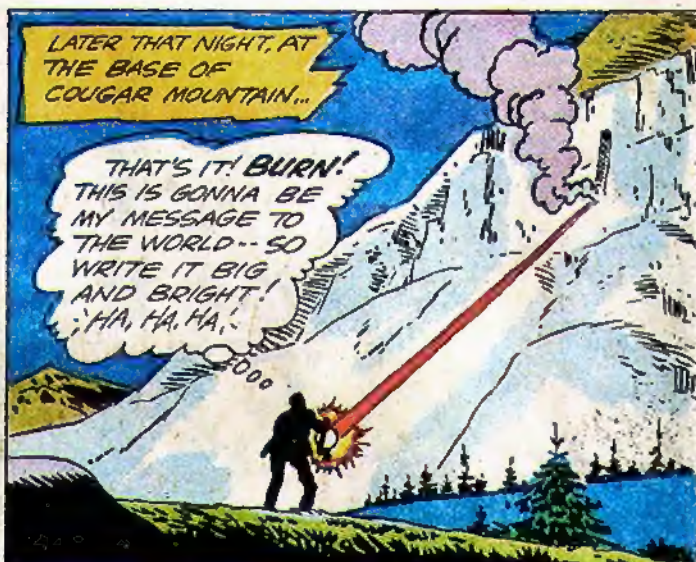


QUICKLY, HE SWITCHES TO POSITION #2...



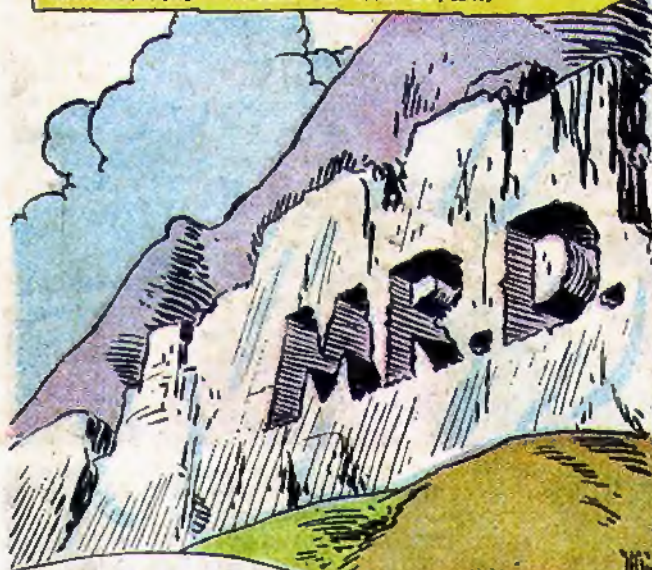
"HA! SO THAT'S WHAT THE SECOND POSITION DOES! I'LL GIVE THIS THING ONE BIG TEST--IF IT WORKS, NOBODY'LL EVER STEP ON ME ANY MORE!"

LATER THAT NIGHT, AT THE BASE OF COUGAR MOUNTAIN...



"THAT'S IT! BURN! THIS IS GONNA BE MY MESSAGE TO THE WORLD--SO WRITE IT BIG AND BRIGHT! HA, HA, HA!"

THE NEXT MORNING, AS WORD SPREADS OF A FANTASTIC INCIDENT, FOUR FAMOUS MEN--THE CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN--RACE TO THE SITE...



MAN, DIG THAT CRAZY LETTERING! WHAT KIND OF "PENCIL" DID THAT GUY USE?

ONE THAT COULD BURN ITS WAY THROUGH ROCK! COME ON, I WANT TO GET A CLOSER LOOK!



WELL, I GOT SOME ROCK SAMPLES! I'LL BE ABLE TO ANALYZE THEM TO SEE WHAT KIND OF A "COOKIE CUTTER" DID THIS JOB!



MEANWHILE, IN A LARGE BANK NOT FAR FROM COUGAR MOUNTAIN...

HEY, YOU CAN'T LEAVE THAT THERE.

IT'LL ONLY BE FOR A MINUTE, SIR! I HAVE SOME BUSINESS TO ATTEND TO HERE!





BUT, THE NEXT SECOND...

GLORY BE! PAPER MEN STEPPING OUT OF THAT SIGN!

THEY'RE SO REAL--THEY'RE LIKE-- LIKE LIVING MEN THAT WERE SOMEHOW FLATTENED! **TWO-DIMENSIONAL MEN!**

INSTANTLY, HE PULLS OPEN HIS JACKET, SWITCHES THE STRANGE DEVICE TO POSITION #2, AND...

NICE GOING, "MR. D.!" NOW THAT YOU'VE HUMANIZED US, LET'S KNOCK OVER THIS PIGGY BANK!

THAT'S THE IDEA! IF ANYBODY GETS IN OUR WAY--HA-HA, I'LL TURN HIM INTO A "PAPER DOLL!" THAT'S ME, SPEAKING--**MR. DIMENSION!**

HOURS LATER, INSIDE THE VAST HIDEAWAY OF **CHALLENGER MOUNTAIN...**

IT BEATS ME, MEN! THESE SAMPLES OF BURNT ROCK ARE BEYOND IDENTIFICATION! THEY WERE CHARRED BY SOMETHING NEVER KNOWN BEFORE!

HEY, YOU GUYS! DID YOU READ THIS STORY ABOUT A BUNCH OF "PAPER DOLL MEN" HOLDING UP A BANK, LED BY A KOOK WHO CALLED HIMSELF **MR. DIMENSION?**



FIRST, SOMETHING CUTS INTO A MOUNTAIN LIKE A KNIFE THROUGH BUTTER! NOW TWO-DIMENSIONAL MEN! IT'S STARTING TO FORM A PATTERN! BOTH THESE INCIDENTS HAPPENED IN THE COUGAR COUNTY AREA! WE'RE GOING TO PATROL IT-PRONTO!





CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN



FOR DAYS, THE CHALLENGERS MAINTAIN THEIR VIGIL UNTIL...

ATTENTION, RADIO CARS 17 AND 19! MUTUAL PROTECTION REPORTS AN ALARM FROM THE CITY ART MUSEUM!

HMM! A VERY VALUABLE EUROPEAN STATUE IS ON EXHIBIT THERE! MR. DIMENSION MIGHT TRY TO STEAL IT AS AN EYE-CATCHING STUNT! LET'S GO!

THERE IT IS-- THE MOST PRECIOUS MUSEUM PIECE OUTSIDE OF THE MONA LISA-- AND HERE IT GOES! IT'S GONNA BE OURS!

INSIDE THE MUSEUM, MEANWHILE...

BOY, YOU REALLY LOOK LIKE A MILLION IN THAT GET-UP, MR. D!

WHY NOT? NOBODY'S EVER HAD A GADGET LIKE I'VE GOT-- AND THERE'S NEVER BEEN A CHARACTER LIKE MR. DIMENSION!

AS THE 2-D RAY WORKS ITS FANTASTIC EFFECT...

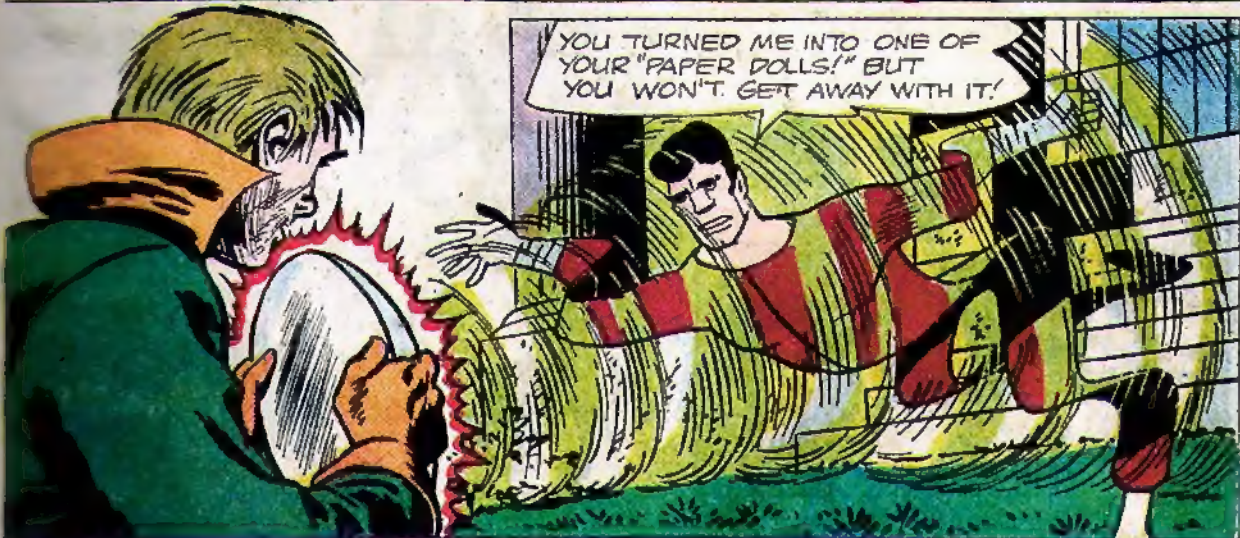
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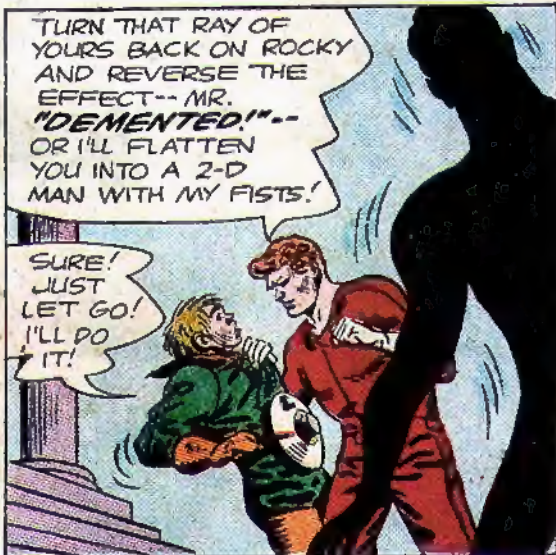
NOW LET'S CLEAR OUT OF HERE!

THE CHALLENGERS! WE'VE GOT TO TAKE CARE OF THEM!

THINK AGAIN, BUSTER! WE DO ALL THE CARE-TAKING AROUND HERE!







ELECTRIFYING ANNOUNCEMENT!

HAWKMAN

HAS "WON HIS WINGS"...

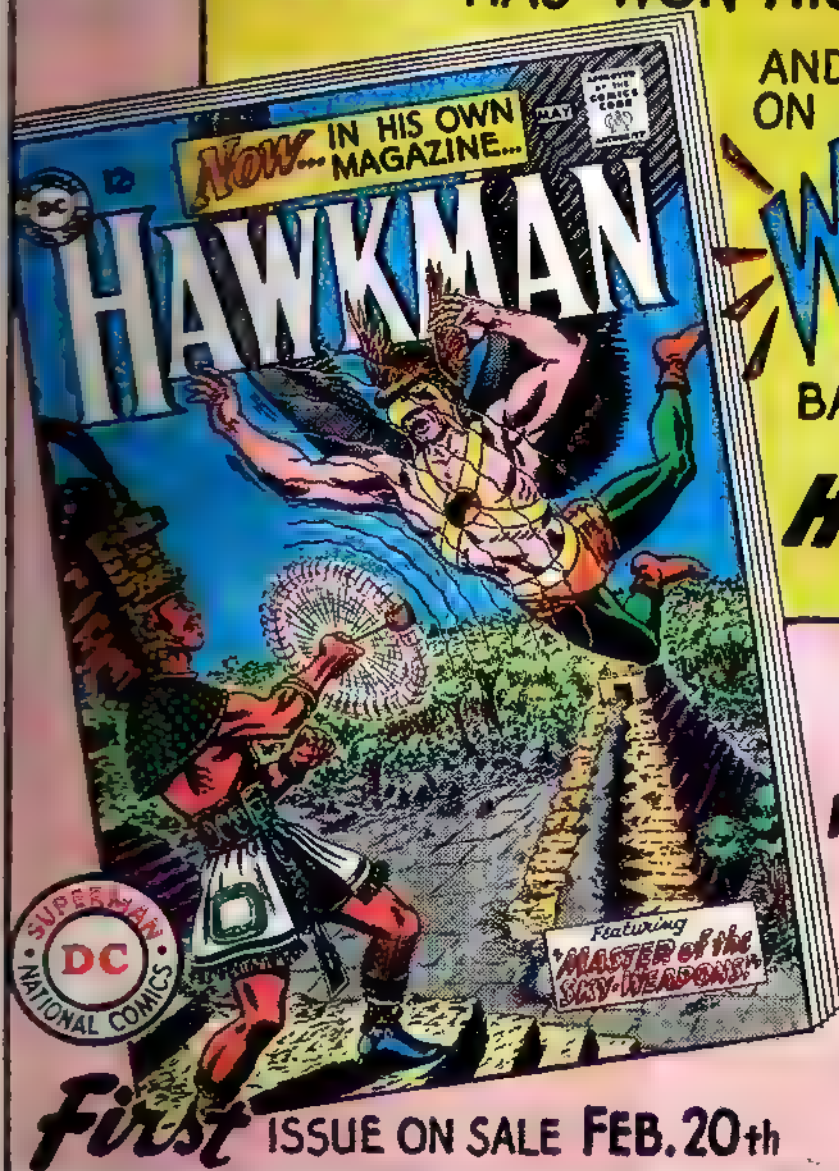
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**WHEET!
WHEET!**

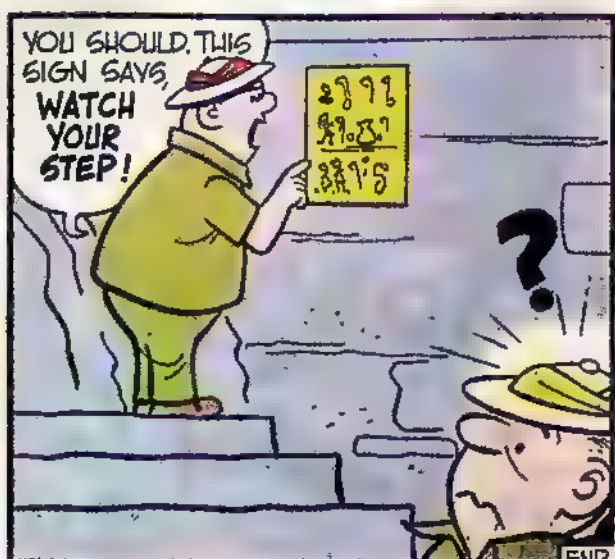
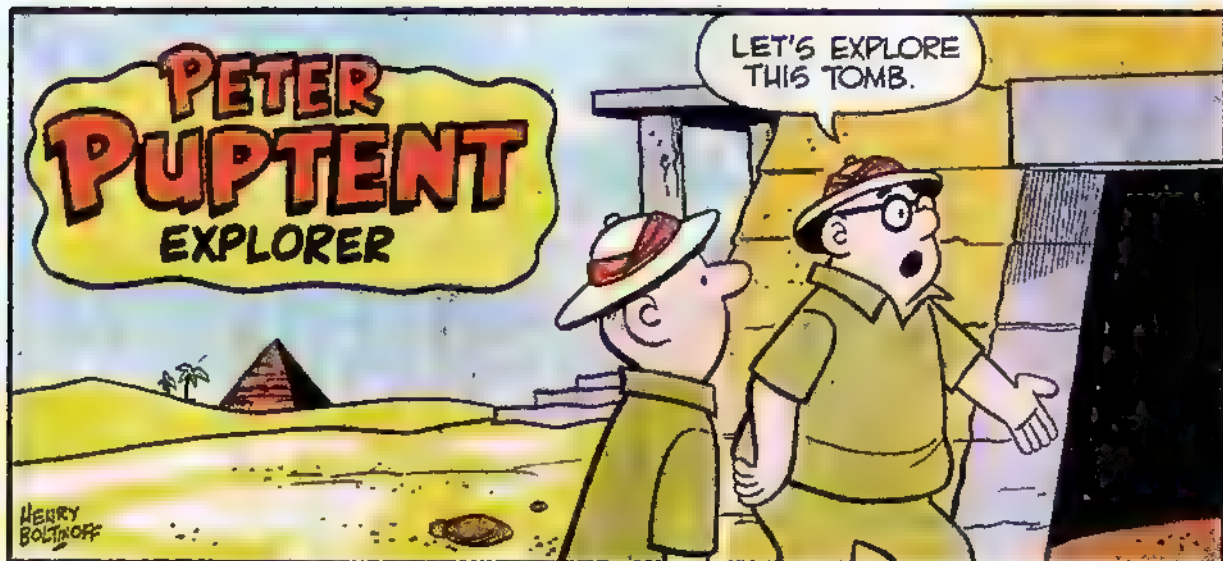
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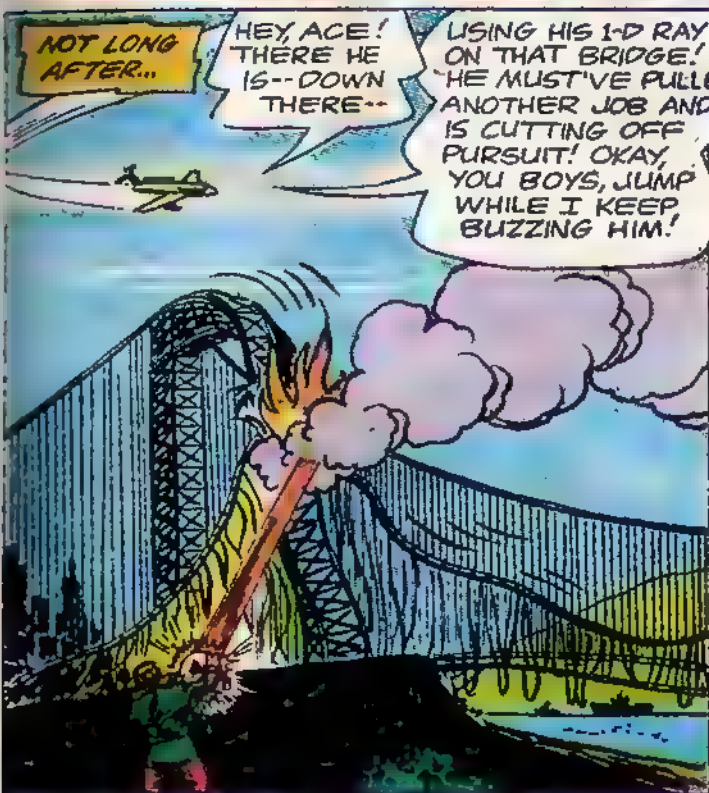
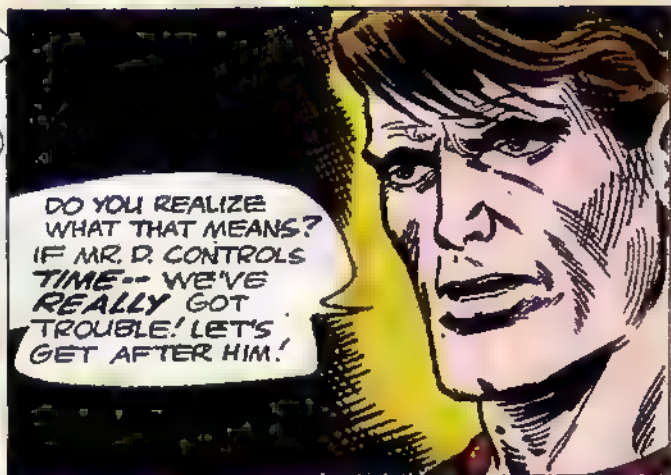
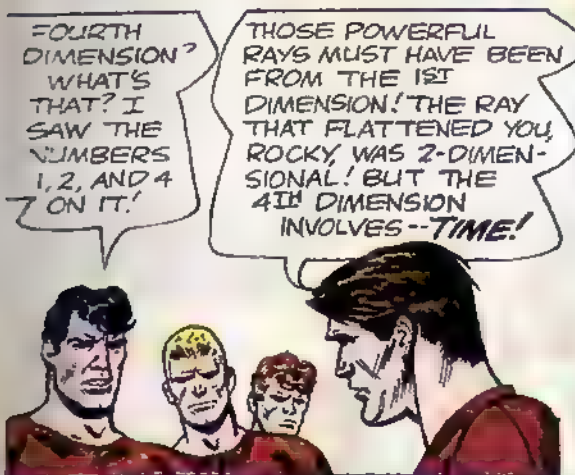
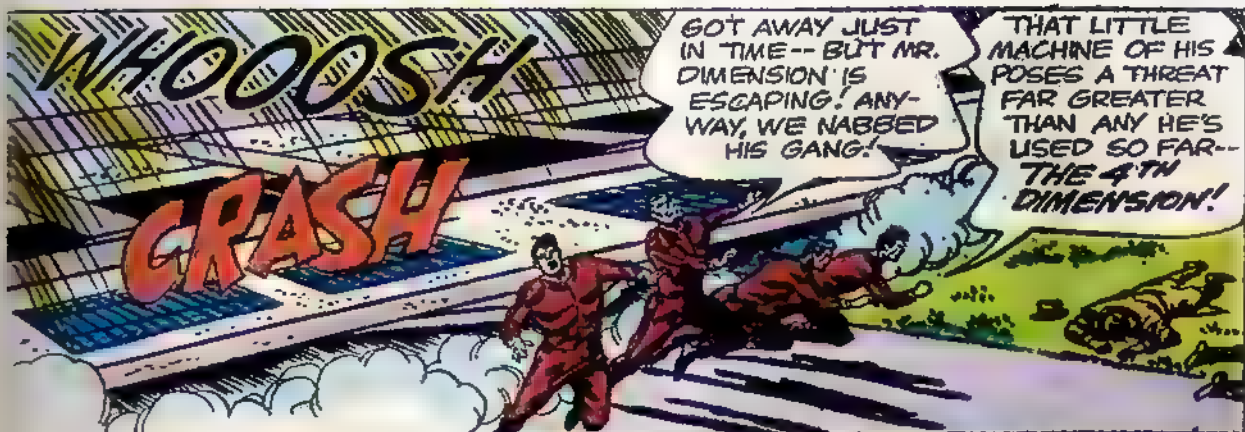
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MAGAZINE!**

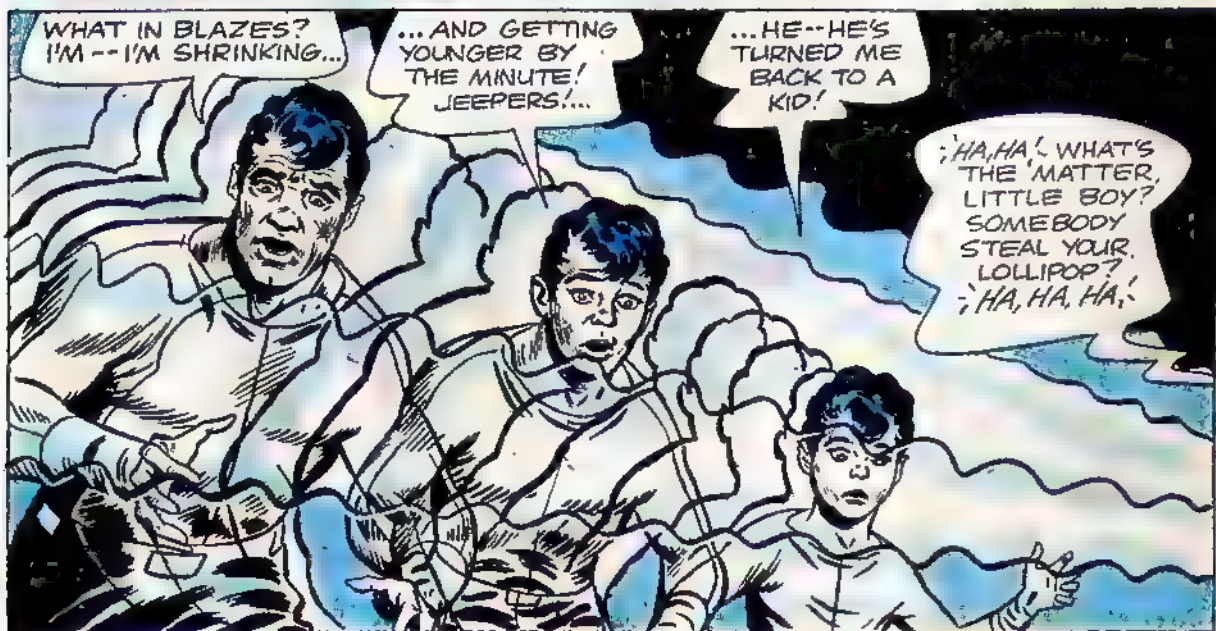
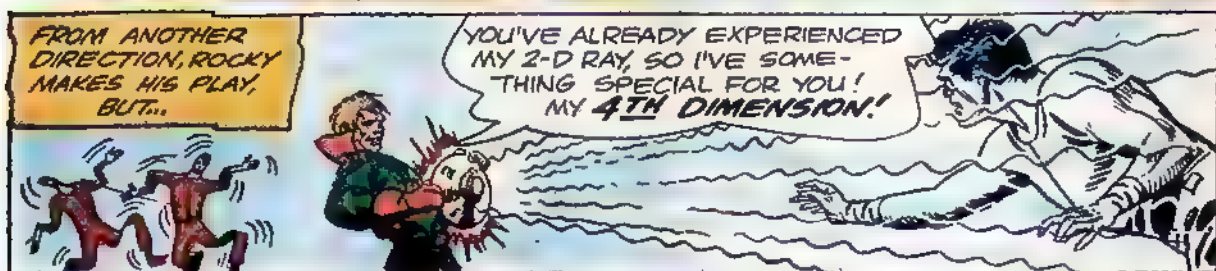
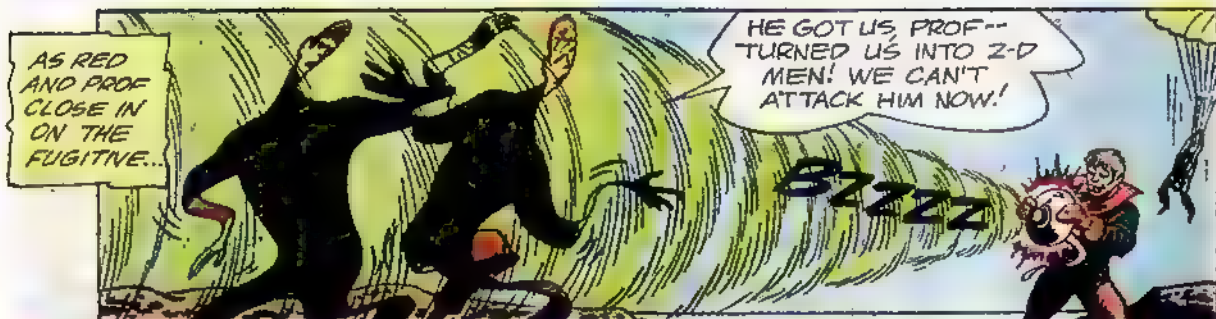
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ADVENTURES
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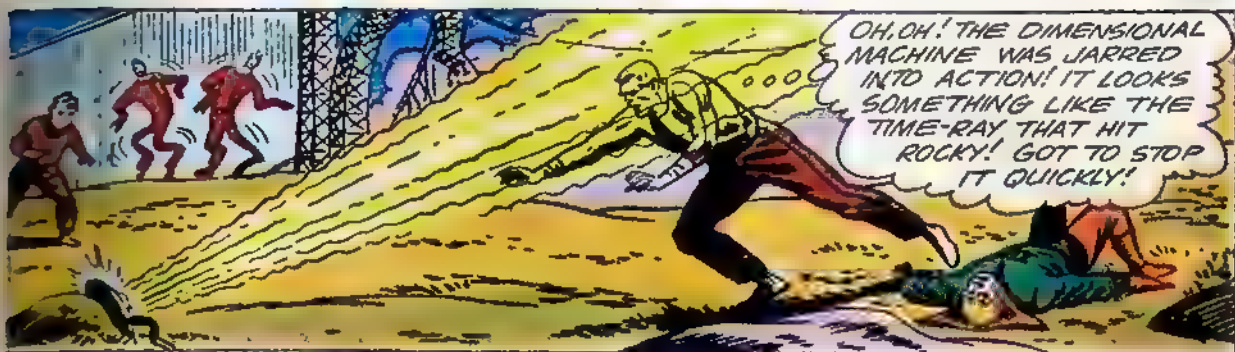








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GOOD GRIEF! I--I'M GETTING OLDER! THAT BOLT ACTIVATED A RAY THAT COUNTERED THE ONE THAT REJUVENATED ROCKY!



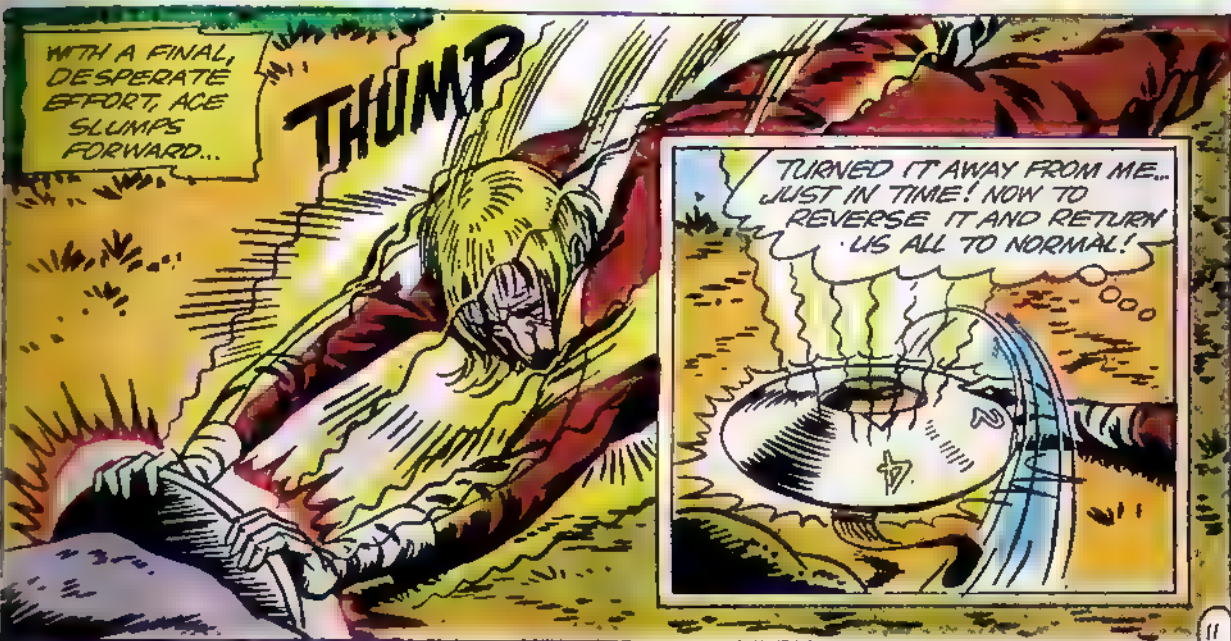
LOOK AT ACE--! HE'S AGING... MAYBE 10 YEARS A SECOND... AND SLOWING DOWN! WE HAVEN'T THE SUBSTANCE TO TURN OFF THE MACHINE!



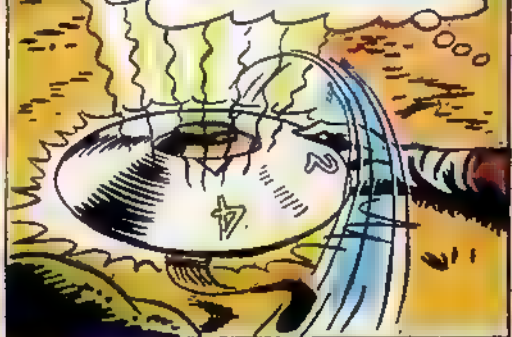
C-CAN HARDLY WALK NOW! I MUST BE THE EQUIVALENT OF 90 OR 100 YEARS OLD! IN ANOTHER SECOND OR TWO, I... I MIGHT DIE OF OLD AGE!

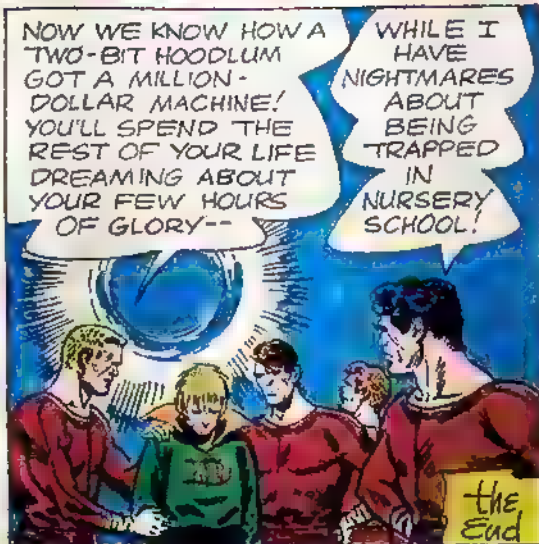
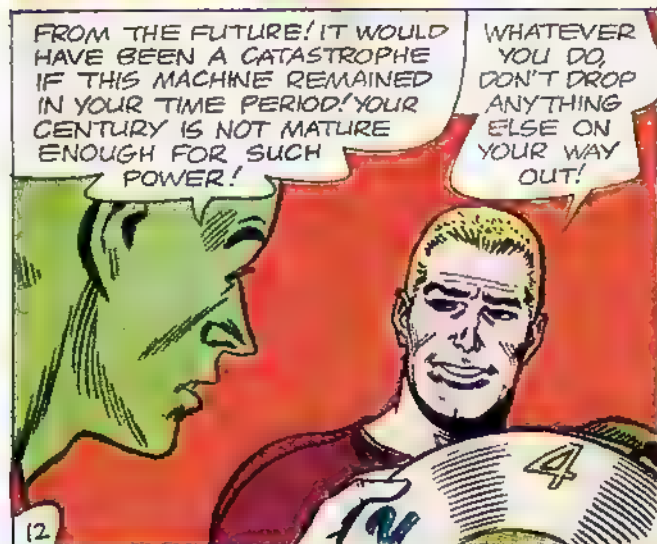
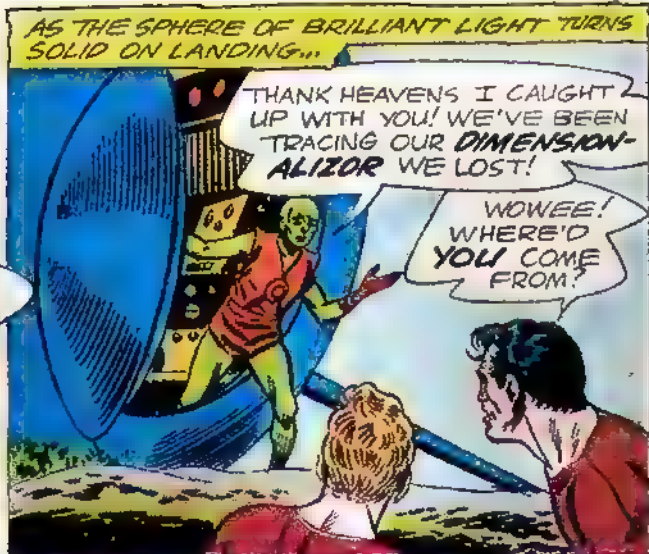
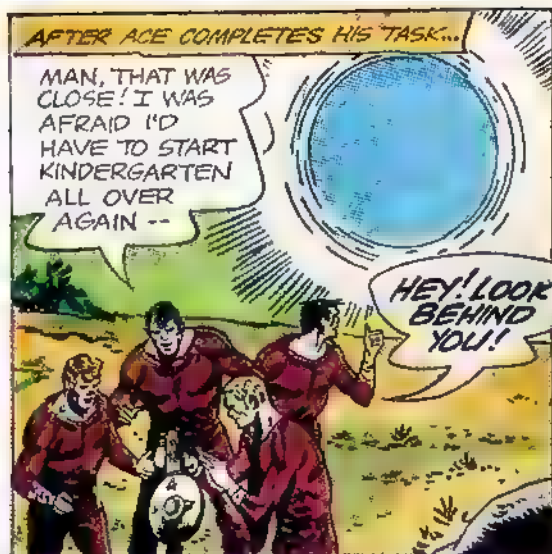


JUST A FEW FEET MORE... BUT I'LL NEVER REACH IT IN TIME! ONLY ONE THING LEFT TO DO!



TURNT IT AWAY FROM ME... JUST IN TIME! NOW TO REVERSE IT AND RETURN US ALL TO NORMAL!





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Dear Editor; "Sons of the Challengers" was a masterpiece! I sure hope you bring them back. Incidentally, some friends and I have formed a fan club which we call "The Junior Challengers." We hope we live up to our heroes' standards.

Bill Turkevich, East Chicago, Ind. (To all those who've written, expressing delight with the *Challengers'* offspring, and hoping for a return performance, the good word is that a story is being prepared right now! Among those well-wishers who made unique commendations were Steve Tamerius of Fairbury, Nebr.; James Zielinski, of Elmwood Park, Ill., who wanted to see the girls Rocky, Red and Prof would marry; George Barbera, Albuquerque, N.M., whose fan club voted "Sons of etc." in favor of the Moon-Beast adventure. Brian Smith of Dothan, Ala. claimed "The Sons are the greatest thing yet," and added a postscript detailing the design of his fan club's new meeting place, a three-room layout equipped with a radio, a lab, and a store room.

Pat Robbins of Corona, N.Y. was so enthusiastic, he urged publication of a whole issue devoted to the *Challenger* kids. Further, "I like Roxy the best. As far as I'm concerned, you couldn't have made a more perfect father and daughter match. That little character stole our hearts from the very first moment we saw her!" We suspect Pat may be a girl, not a boy, because she (he) wanted more of June! Other notes worthy of mention came from Henry Noe, Dayton, Ohio; Richard Bodner, Orchard Park, N.Y.; Mrs. Alma S., Jacksonville, Fla., and Bob Kiniment, San Antonio, Tex. So all you readers watch for the announcement concerning the return of the *Challengers'* sons (and daughter), an exciting drama that will feature their fight with the phantom of the World's Fair!

CHALLENGER CHIT-CHAT: *Newt Beardsley* of Austin, Tex. notes that a steamship named "Challenger" back in 1874 was one of the first vessels to dare to explore the mysterious Antarctic Circle. . . . And another Texan, this one from San Antonio, *Paul Feola*, says: "Here's one for Prof Haley. There actually exists a sea without any shore. It's the Sargasso Sea, which is surrounded by the Atlantic Ocean." (Ed. Note: The patches of gulfweed that seemed to form vast meadows became the basis for many weird things years after its discovery. Legends appeared; telling of huge monsters inhabiting the thickly-matted seaweed, and imaginative writers pictured ghost ships hopelessly entangled in the weed.)

"What do the *Challengers* do on a routine day?" asks *Mike Kleker* from Chicago. (The question never was posed before, but we imagine they exercise, train for future formidable tasks and tussles with villains, study, read, do maintenance work to keep their flying craft and radio equipment in top shape, conduct experiments in their lab. In other words, they put in a full day by anyone's standards.)

Fred Landesman submits a detailed schedule of the activities of the *Challengers'* fan club in Jamaica, N.Y., which includes publication of a monthly newsletter. . . . *Karen Kieca* informs us of the formation of a club called "The Outer-Limiters," topped by our *Challengers*, in Arlington, Ill. . . . *Harley Standridge* would like Doc Lloyd Warner to give our heroes the Laser gun he used in the Moon-Beast story. . . . *Michael Fallis* of Salem, Mass. was so impressed by F. Gaylord Clayburn, 3rd, he'd like to see him back. Ditto *Peter Kasperek* of Kenosha, Wisc. . . . (How do you feel about The Fifth *Challenger*, readers? Let us know!)

David Stuard, known as Red to his pals in Mobile, Ala., hopes we publish an Annual soon. . . . So does *Mike Friedrich* from Hayward, Calif. . . . "How about 'The Doom Patrol' appearing with the *Challengers*?" asks *Jerry Johnson* of Crownpoint, N.M. (Maybe one of these days, Jerry, but right now "The Doom Patrol" have their hands full in MY GREATEST ADVENTURE). . . . Other crisp comments from *Allen Haworth*, Wilson, Kan.; *Jeff Kameron*, Melbourne, Fla., and *Dean Richardson*, Dayton, Ohio.

"How come Rocky occasionally lapses into jive talk? What's its origin, anyway?" asks *Nick Lippman* of New York City. (Originated by musicians in the south, the argot soon was adopted by jazz musicians everywhere. These music-men became known as hipsters because of their frequent use of the word, hip, meaning to know or to understand. While they limited these expressions, teenagers latched onto the jargon, inventing new words and phrases, sometimes changing them in the process. As for Rocky's use, now and then, of hip talk, he's not only a jazz enthusiast but he likes to keep up with the younger set.)

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IN A THUNDEROUS CRASH, A PLANE ONCE
CARRIED FOUR MEN TO CERTAIN DOOM...

DEATH WAS THEIR
UNEXPECTED
DESTINATION--BUT
FATE DETOURED
THEM!



"...BUT--MIRACULOUSLY--THEY
LIVED, AND ON BORROWED
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LIVES" TO CHALLENGE THE
UNKNOWN..."



THEY KNEW THAT THE INEVITABLE MUST COME
ONE DAY, AS IT MUST TO ALL MEN! BUT WOULD
IT COME NATURALLY, OR THROUGH A DEVILISH
PLAN THAT WOULD STRIKE WITH TERRIBLE
SWIFTNESS?

the **LAST DAYS** of the **CHALLENGERS**

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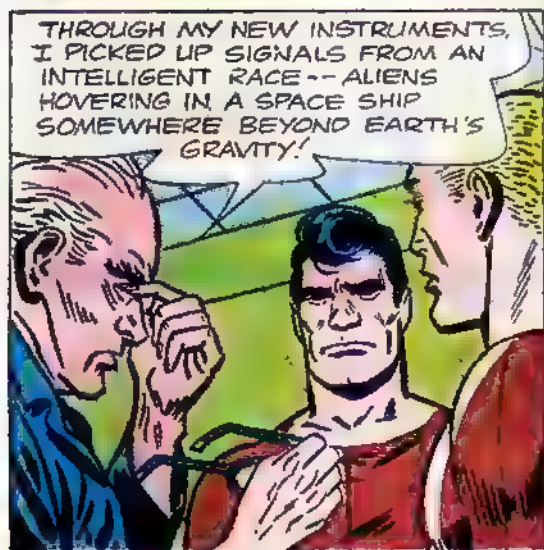
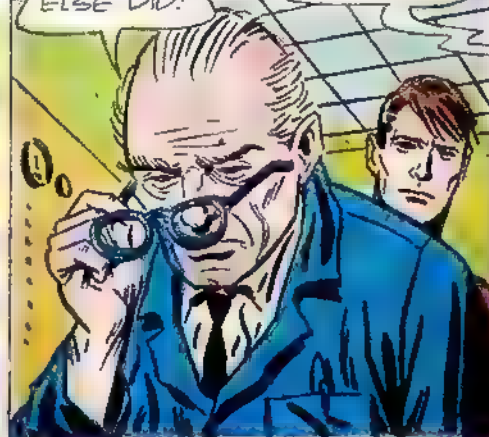


TO A GREAT LABORATORY IN THE HILLS HURRY THE FAMED TEAM ON AN URGENT ERRAND...



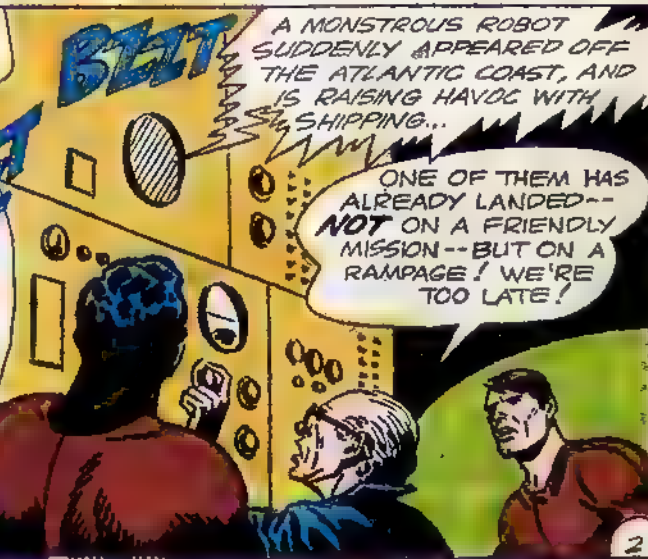
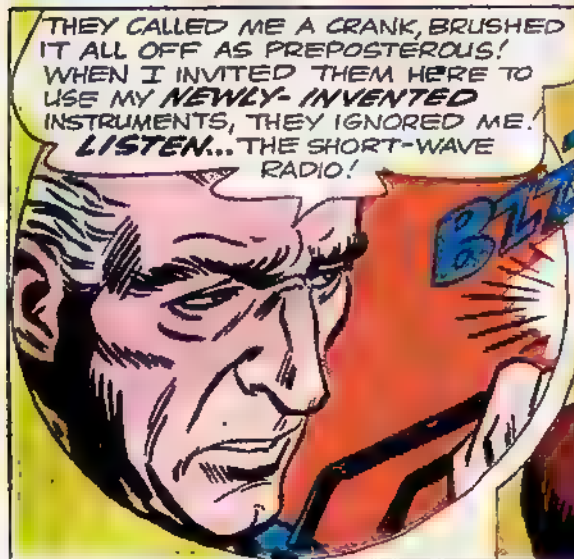
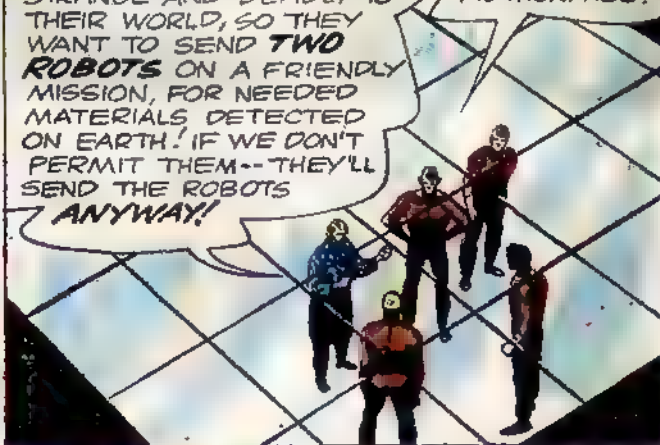
I HOPED YOU' CHALLENGERS WOULD BELIEVE ME 'NOBODY ELSE DID!

WE HAVEN'T DECIDED YET, PROF. ELBER! GO AHEAD!



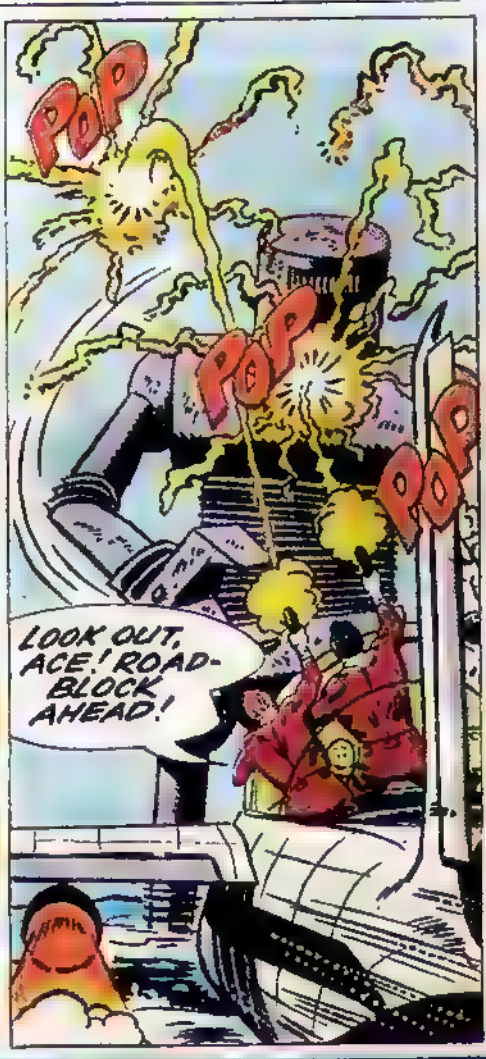
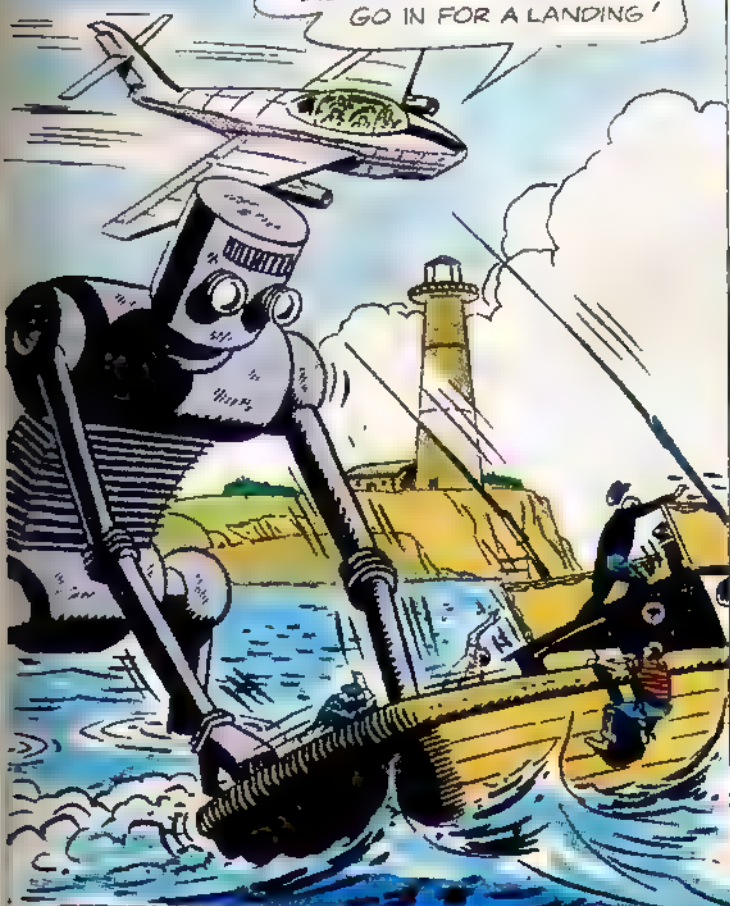
I TRANSLATED THE SIGNALS! THE ALIENS SAID THE H_2O IN OUR ATMOSPHERE IS STRANGE AND DEADLY TO THEIR WORLD, SO THEY WANT TO SEND **TWO ROBOTS** ON A FRIENDLY MISSION, FOR NEEDED MATERIALS DETECTED ON EARTH! IF WE DON'T PERMIT THEM--THEY'LL SEND THE ROBOTS **ANYWAY!**

YOU REPORTED THIS TO THE AUTHORITIES?



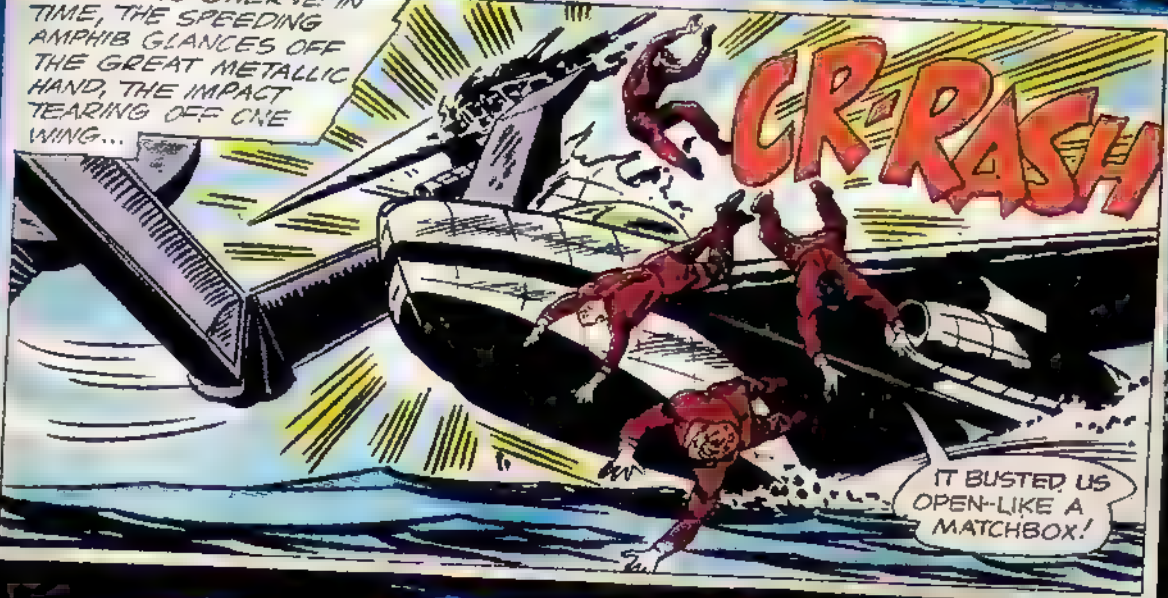
"TOO LATE?" PERHAPS NOT, FOR NOT LONG AFTER-
WARDS, THE SLEEK **CHALLENGER AMPHIB**
JET ROARS OUT TO SEA...

WE'VE ONLY GOT **FLARE GUNS!** PEPPER IT-- TO
DISTRACT IT-- WHILE WE
GO IN FOR A LANDING!



LOOK OUT,
ACE! ROAD-
BLOCK
AHEAD!

UNABLE TO SWERVE IN
TIME, THE SPEEDING
AMPHIB GLANCES OFF
THE GREAT METALLIC
HAND, THE IMPACT
TEARING OFF ONE
WING...



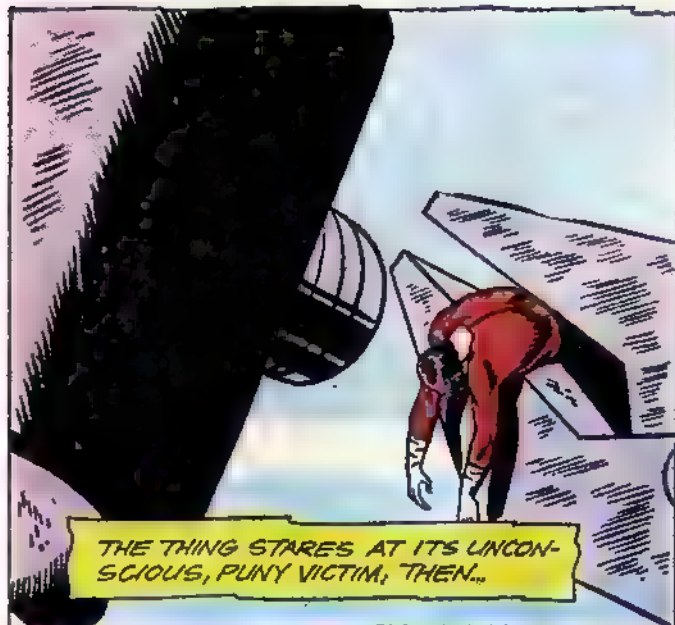
IT BUSTED US
OPEN-LIKE A
MATCHBOX!



CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN

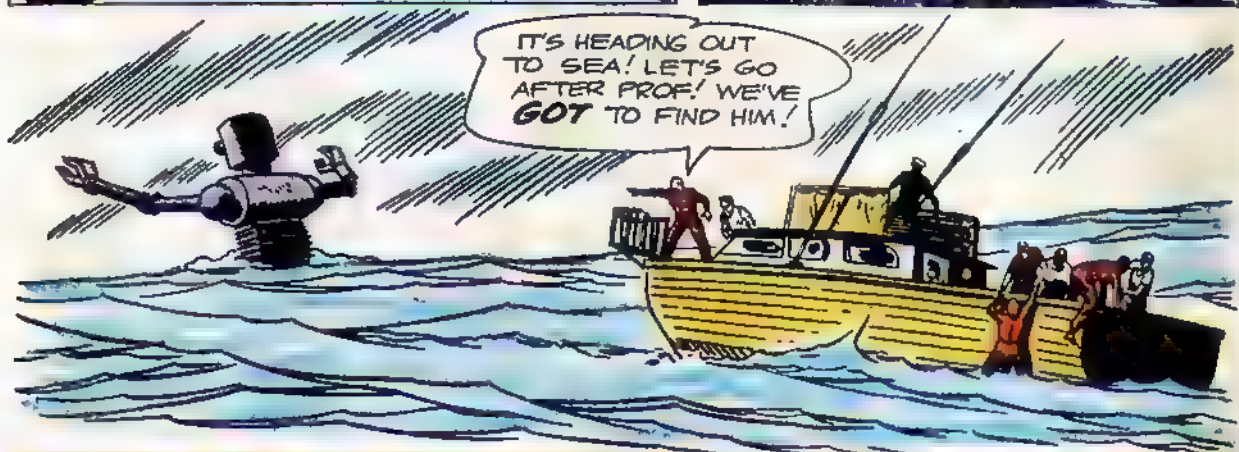
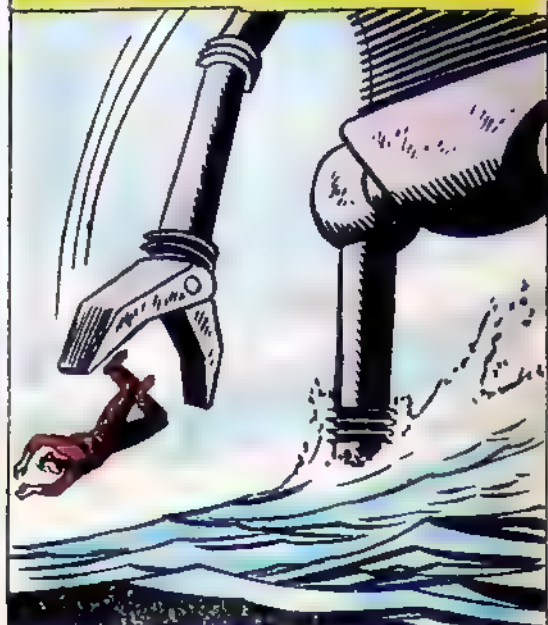


BY A FREAK OF FATE, ONE **CHALLENGER** IS CAUGHT BY ITS FLAILING HAND...

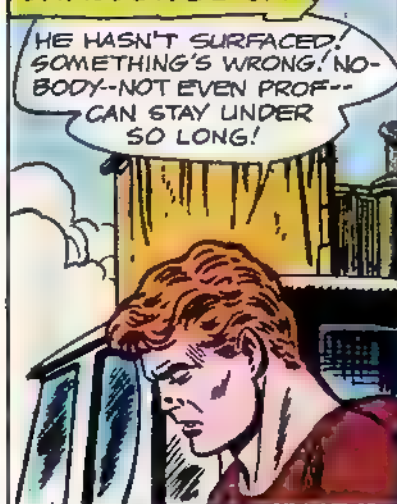


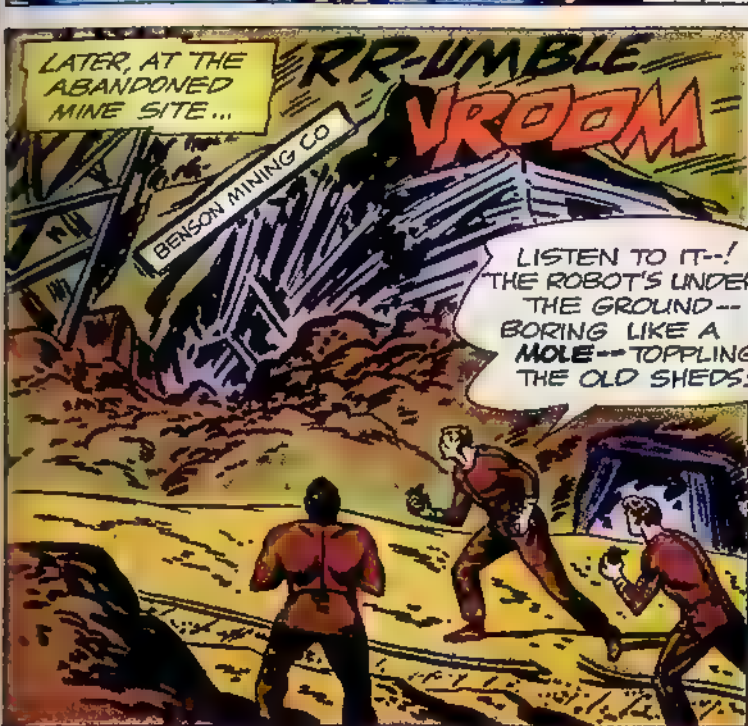
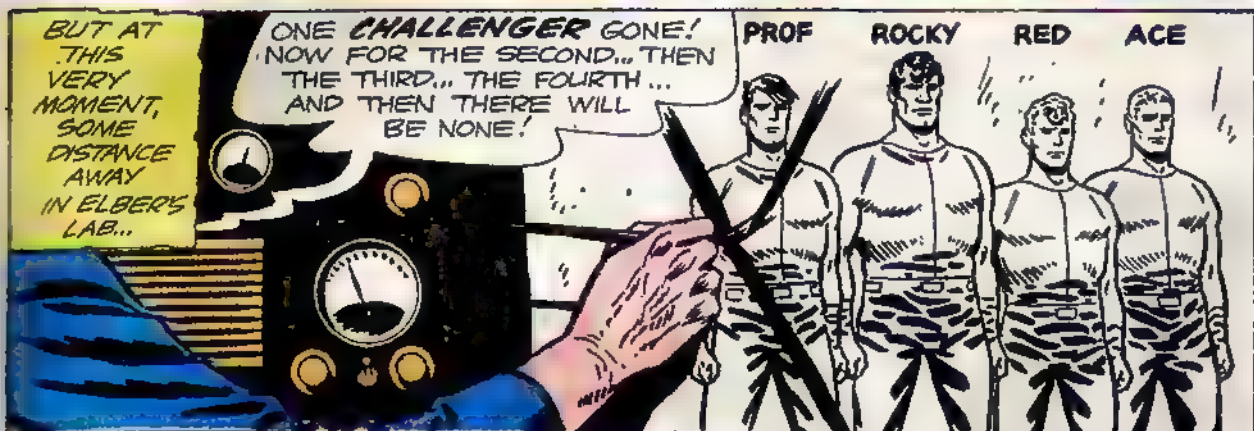
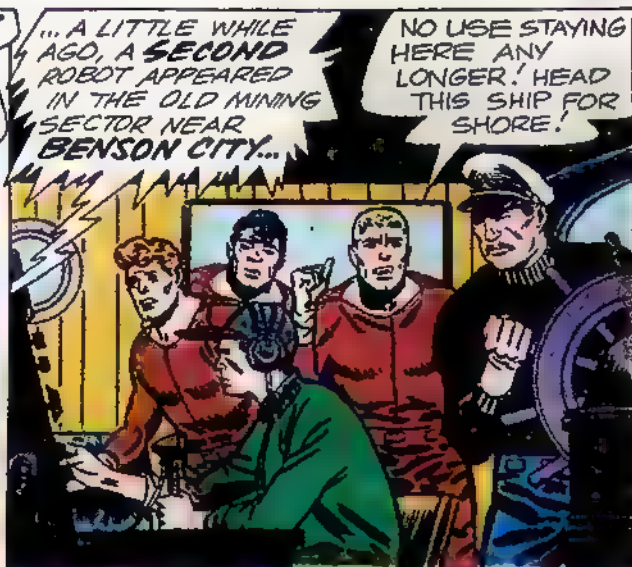
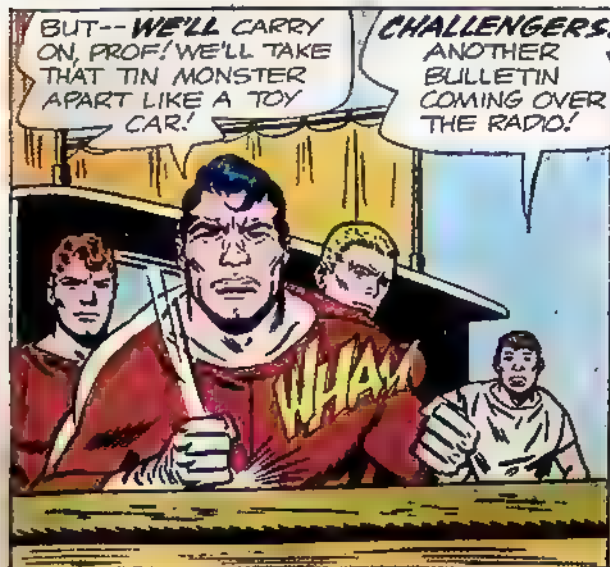
THE THING STARES AT ITS UNCONSCIOUS, PUNY VICTIM, THEN...

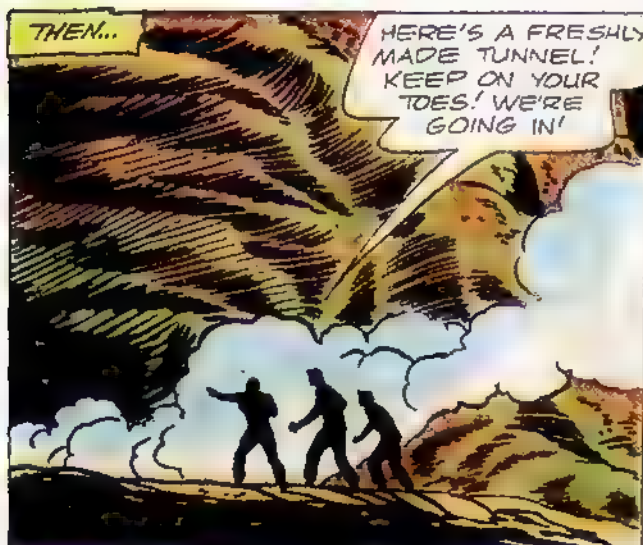
... AS IF WITH DISDAIN, HURLS PROF INTO THE WATER...



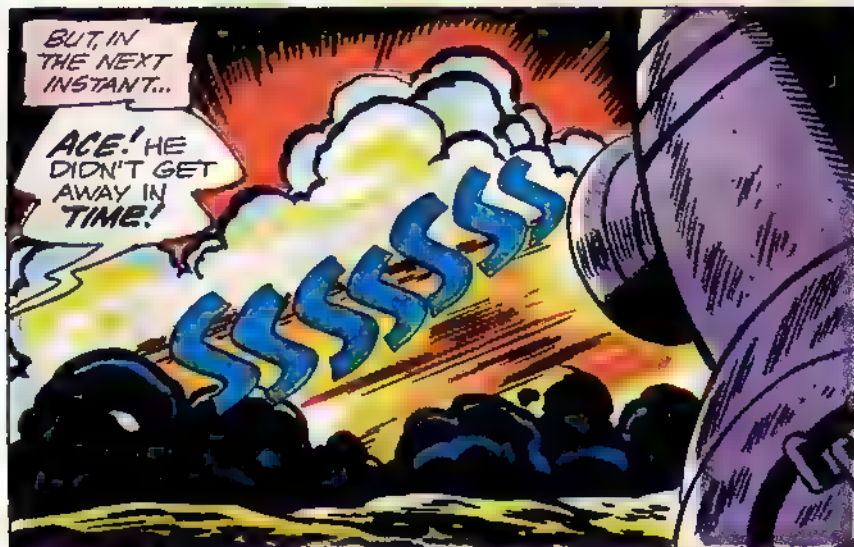
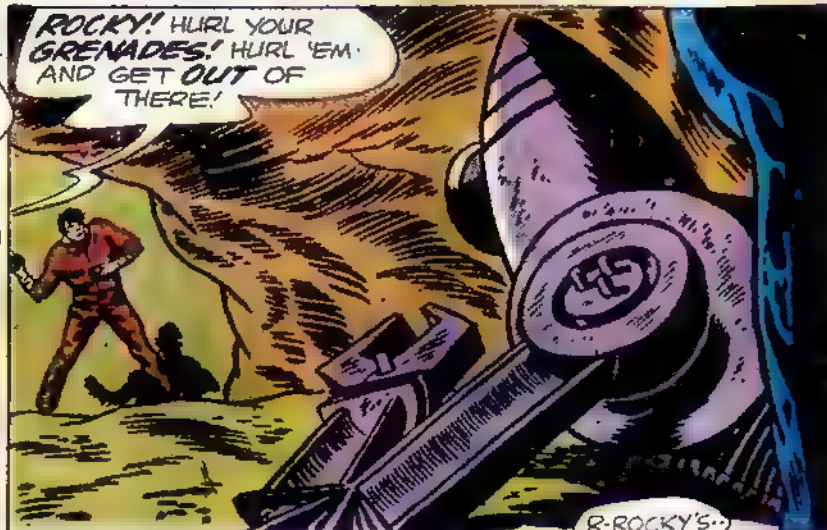
FOR A LONG TIME, THE FISHING BOAT SCOURS THE AREA, SEARCHING FOR THE MISSING **CHALLENGER**...

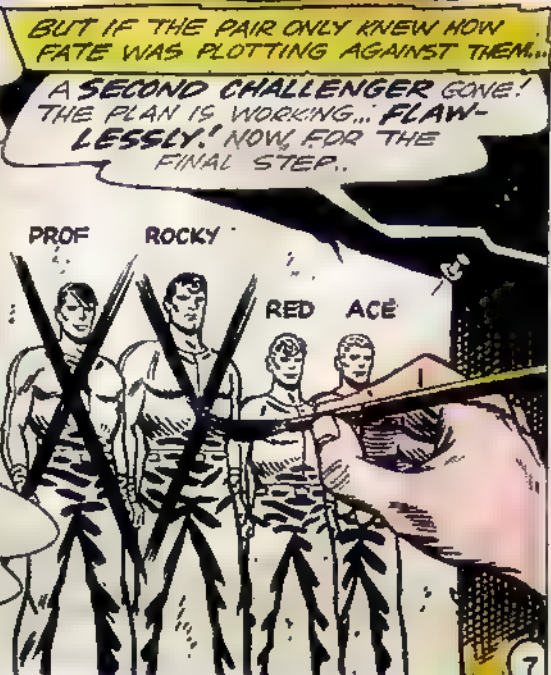
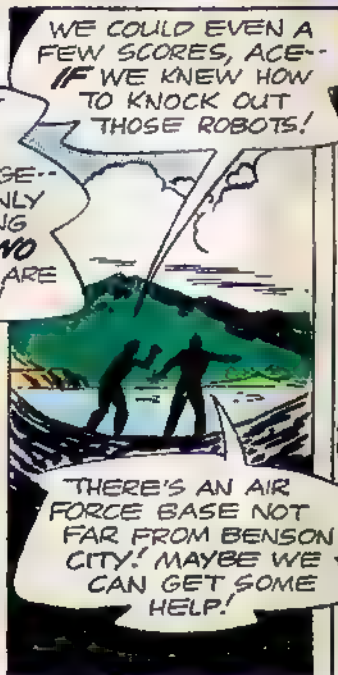
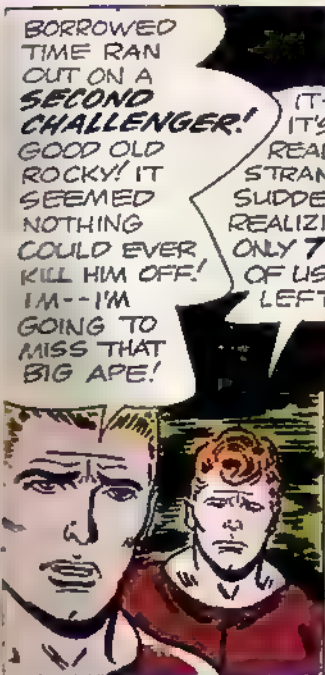
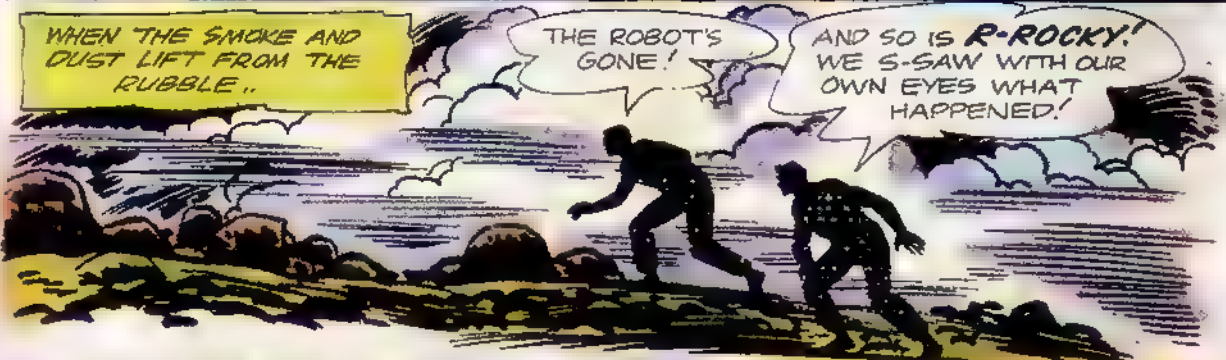
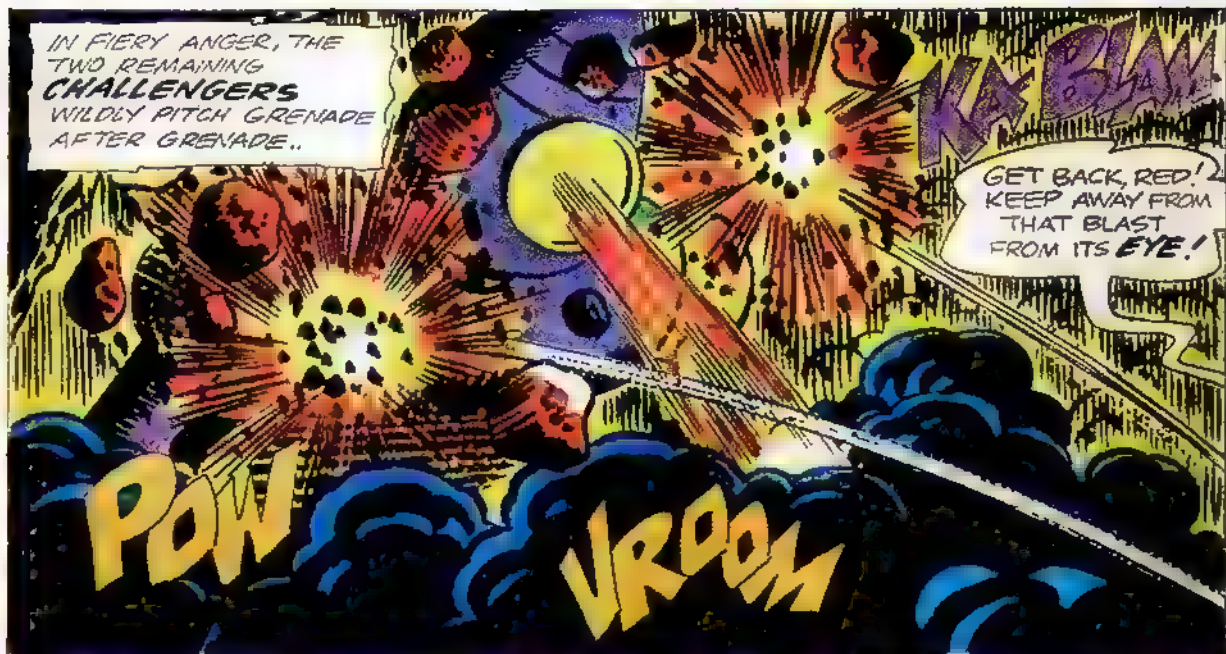


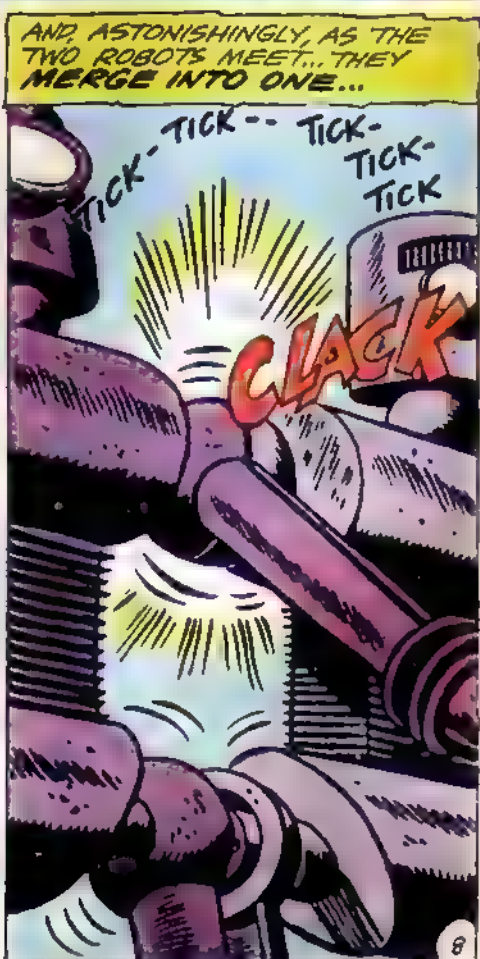
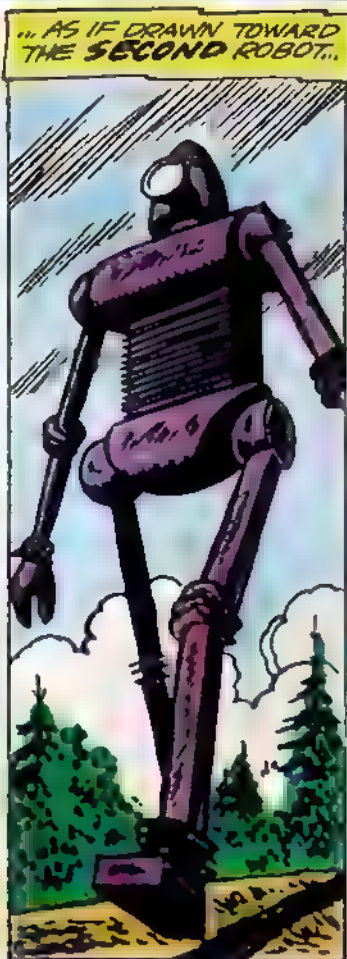
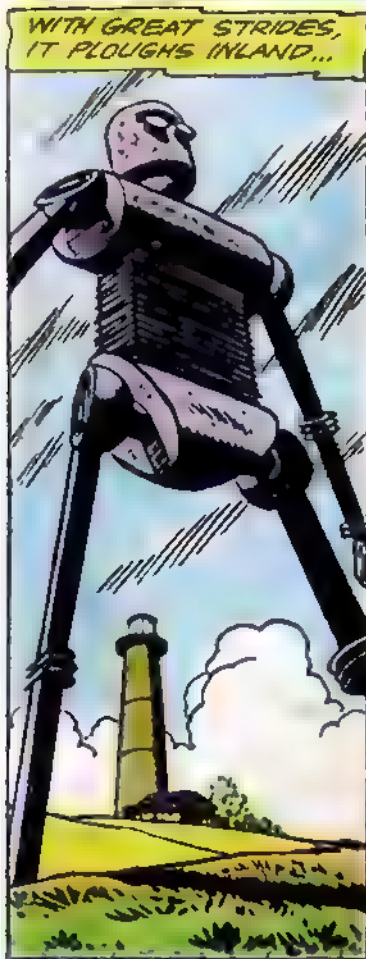
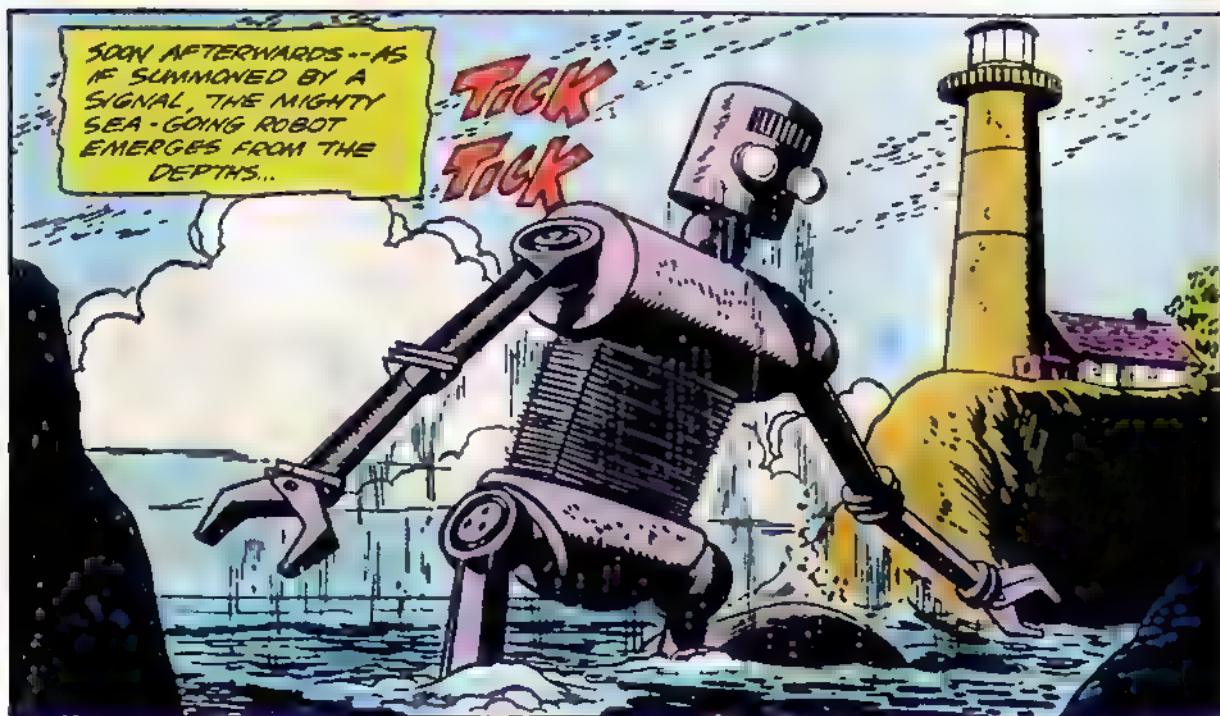




LATER, AS ACE AND RED CAUTIOUSLY MOVE AHEAD...







AN ALERT LIGHTHOUSE KEEPER OBSERVES THE FANTASTIC PHENOMENON AND RELAYS IT TO THE BASE...

YOU'RE GOING OUT TO BOMB THE ROBOT! LET **US** HANDLE THE ASSIGNMENT, CAPTAIN!

HUN?
I DON'T KNOW...IT'S AGAINST REGULATIONS!

LISTEN, TWO OF OUR PALS WERE KILLED-- AND **WE'RE** EARMARKED AS THE NEXT TARGET! BUT WE WANT TO PUT THAT BABY AWAY FOR GOOD!

OKAY! SHE'S ALL YOURS! GOOD LUCK!

LATER AS THE LOW-FLYING FIGHTER-BOMBER SEEKS ITS TARGET...



THEN, A MIGHTY DOUBLE-HEAD REARS UP, AND...



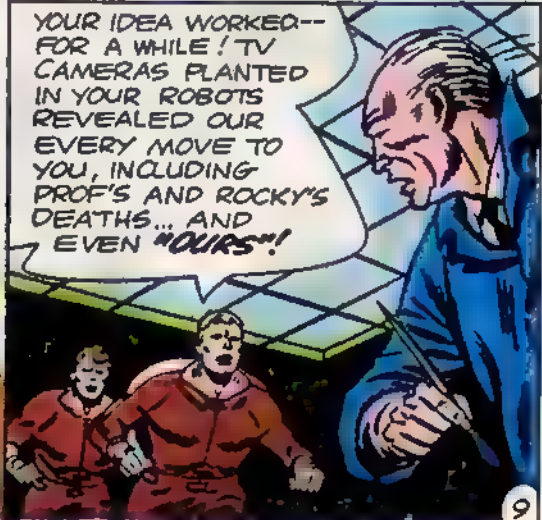
BACK AT ELBER'S, A CHORTLE OF TRIUMPH ECHOES THROUGH THE LAB...

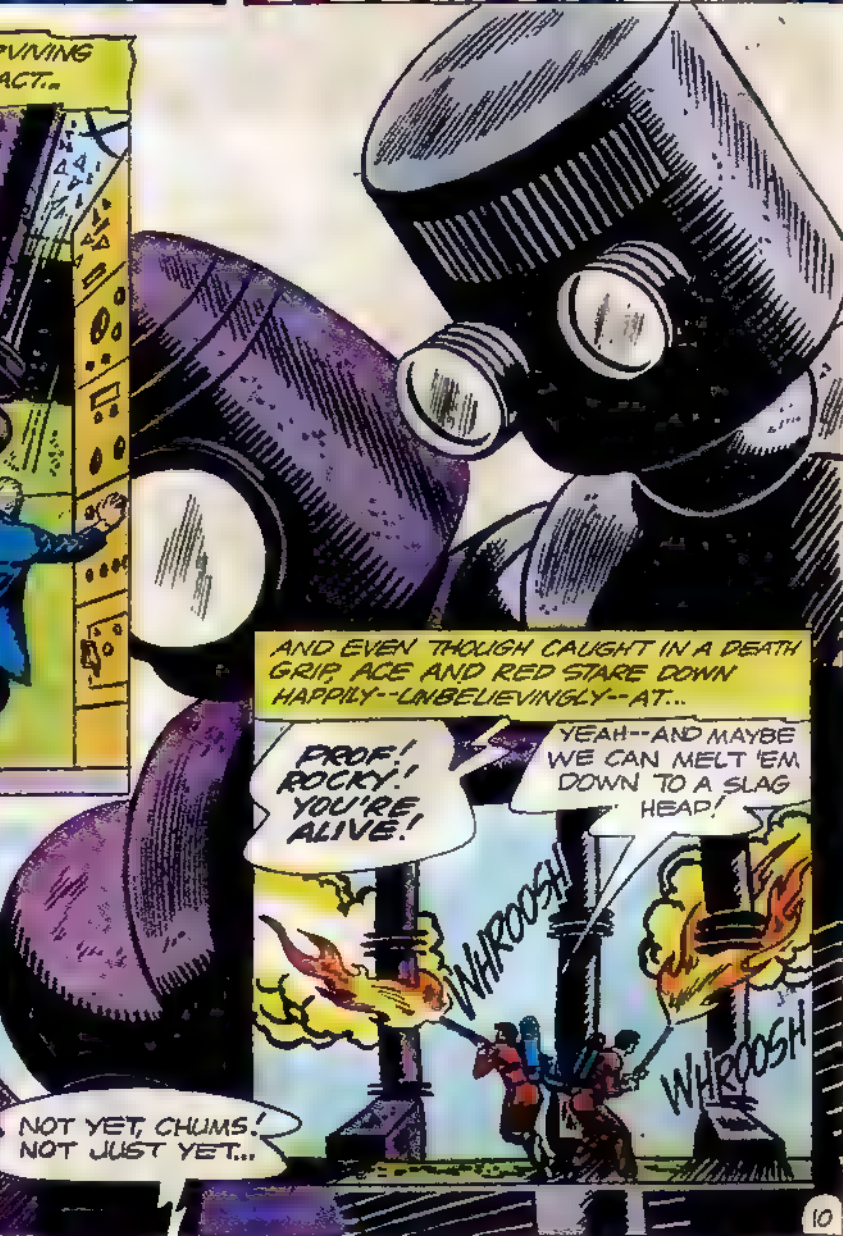
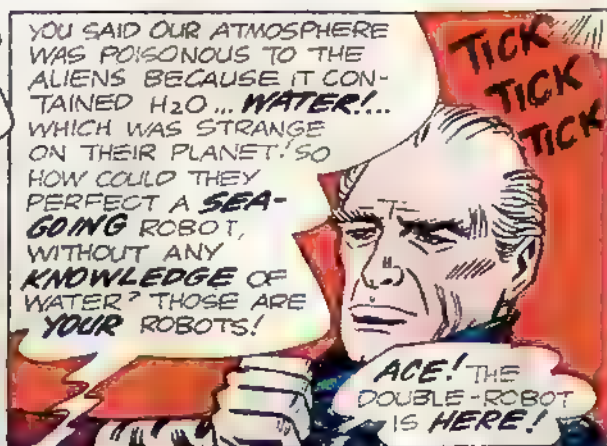
ALL FOUR CHALLENGERS... DEAD! THE PLAN SO FAR IS PERFECT!

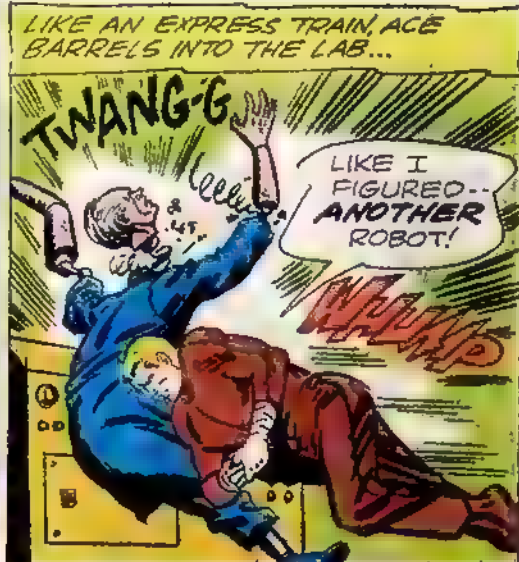
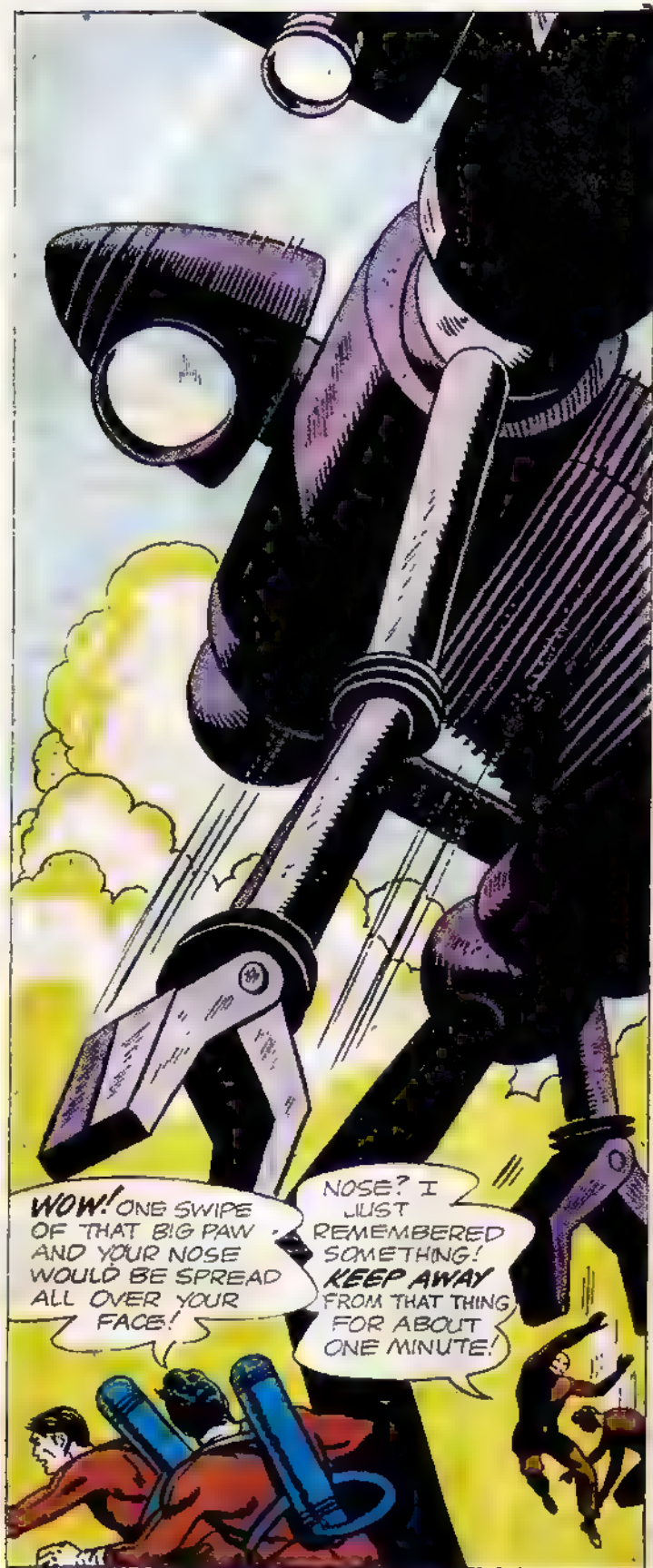


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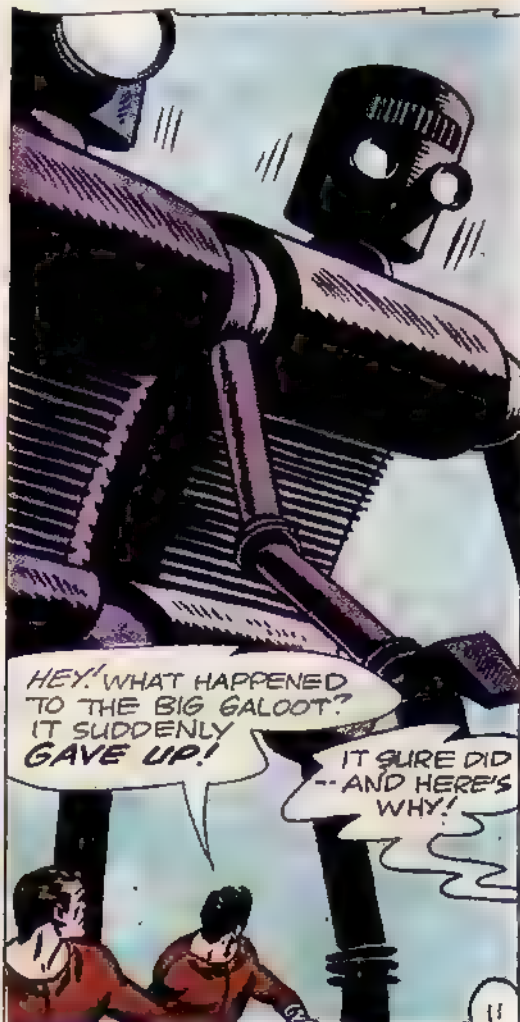
YOUR IDEA WORKED-- FOR A WHILE! TV CAMERAS PLANTED IN YOUR ROBOTS REVEALED OUR EVERY MOVE TO YOU, INCLUDING PROF'S AND ROCKY'S DEATHS... AND EVEN **OURS**!







AND IN THAT SPLIT SECOND, THE TOWERING TWIN-THREAT FREEZES... STANDS MOTIONLESS, LIKE A STATUE!





WE JUST FOUND THE **REAL** ELBER-- DEAD! THIS IS HIS **LOOK-ALIKE STAND-IN...** A ROBOT, WHICH CONTROLLED THE OTHER TWO!



YOU MEAN, THE WHOLE BIT STARTED WITH A **MECHANICAL** MAN?

NO-- THE **REAL** ELBER GOT US HERE! BUT I LEARNED THIS FROM A GLANCE AT HIS NOTES... HE HAD BUILT THIS TO TAKE OVER AND CARRY OUT HIS COMMANDS, AFTER HE WAS READY TO ESCAPE!



ESCAPE?

YEAH--AFTER HE PULLED OFF A BIG CRIMINAL COUP! BUT I'LL GET TO THAT! BEFORE HIS PLOT WAS COMPLETED, HE KEELED OVER FROM A HEART ATTACK!

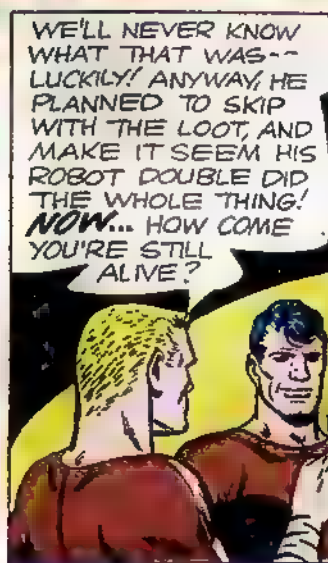


HOW'D YOU TUMBLE TO THIS PHONY?

WHEN YOU MENTIONED "**NOSE!**" I REMEMBERED ELBER HAD A LINE ACROSS THE BRIDGE OF HIS NOSE, CAUSED BY LONG-WEARING OF **GLASSES!** THE **SECOND** ELBER DIDN'T HAVE THAT LINE! COME ALONG--!

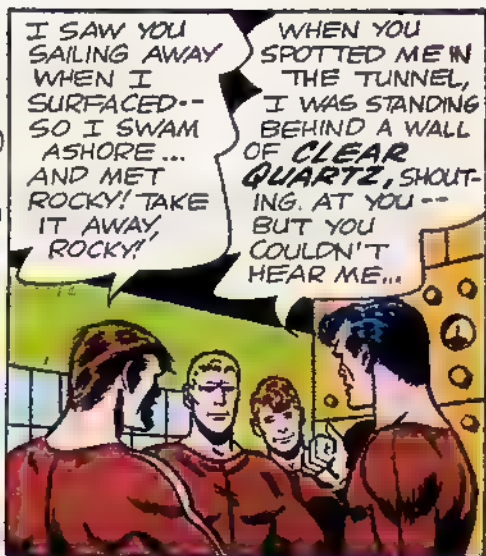
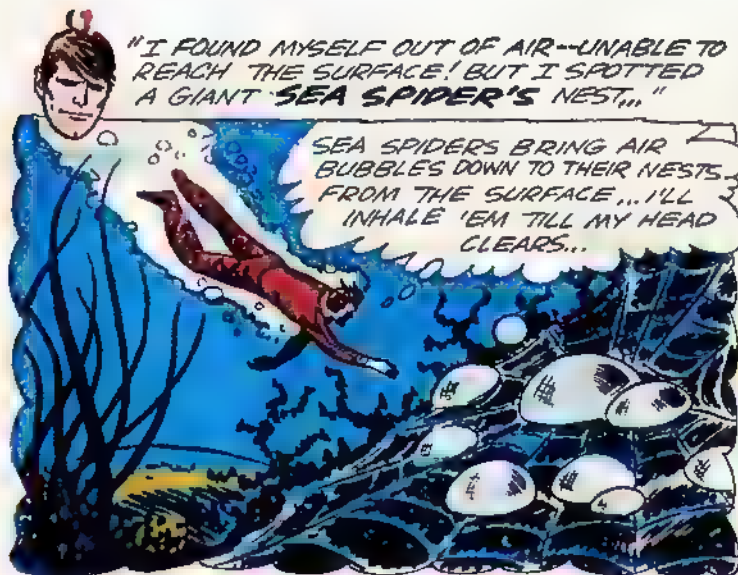


IN HIS TWISTED MIND, ELBER PLANNED THE "**ALIEN**" ROBOT TRICK TO LURE US INTO DEATH TRAPS--KNOWING WE'D TRY TO STOP HIM! THEN HE WANTED TO TERRIFY EARTH BY USING HIS **COMBINED** ROBOTS TO PULL OFF SOME FANTASTIC CRIME!...



WE'LL NEVER KNOW WHAT THAT WAS-- LUCKILY! ANYWAY, HE PLANNED TO SKIP WITH THE LOOT, AND MAKE IT SEEM HIS ROBOT DOUBLE DID THE WHOLE THING! **NOW...** HOW COME YOU'RE STILL ALIVE?

WHEN THE ROBOT THREW ME INTO THE DRINK, I WAS PARTIALLY REVIVED BY THE COLD WATER!



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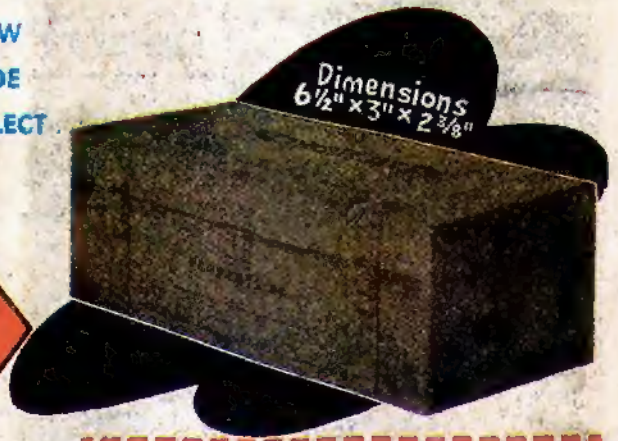
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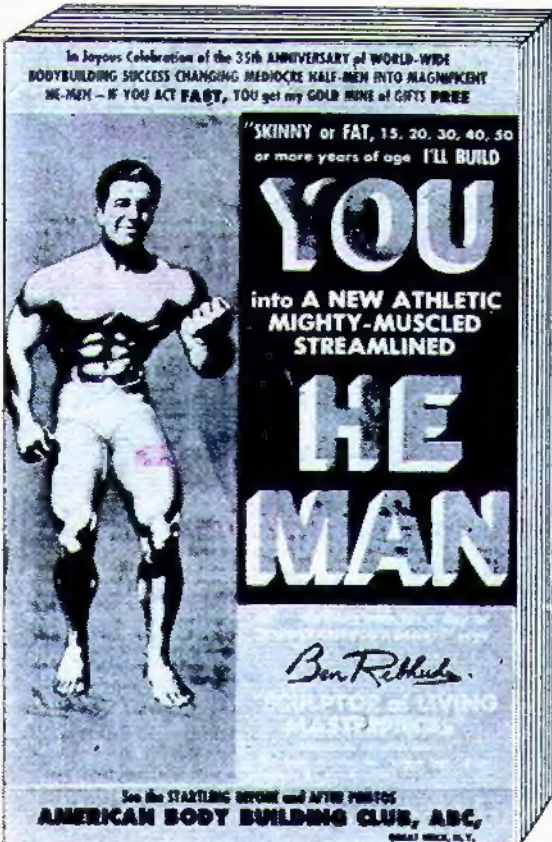
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